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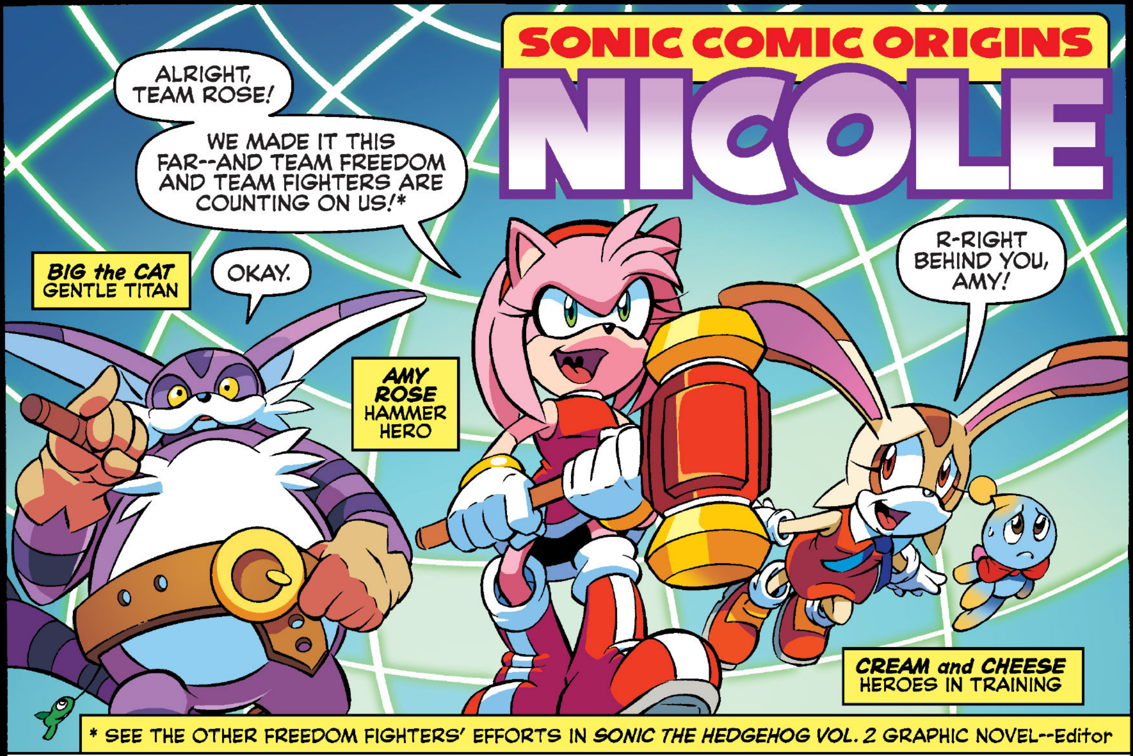
NICOLE


ALRIGHT, TEAM ROSE!
WE MADE IT THIS FAR--AND TEAM FREEDOM AND TEAM FIGHTERS ARE COUNTING ON US!*
BIG the CAT GENTLE TITAN
OKAY.
AMY ROSE HAMMER HERO
R-RIGHT BEHIND YOU, AMY!
CREAM and CHEESE HEROES IN TRAINING
* SEE THE OTHER FREEDOM FIGHTERS' EFFORTS IN SONIC THE HEDGEHOG VOL. 2 GRAPHIC NOVEL--Editor

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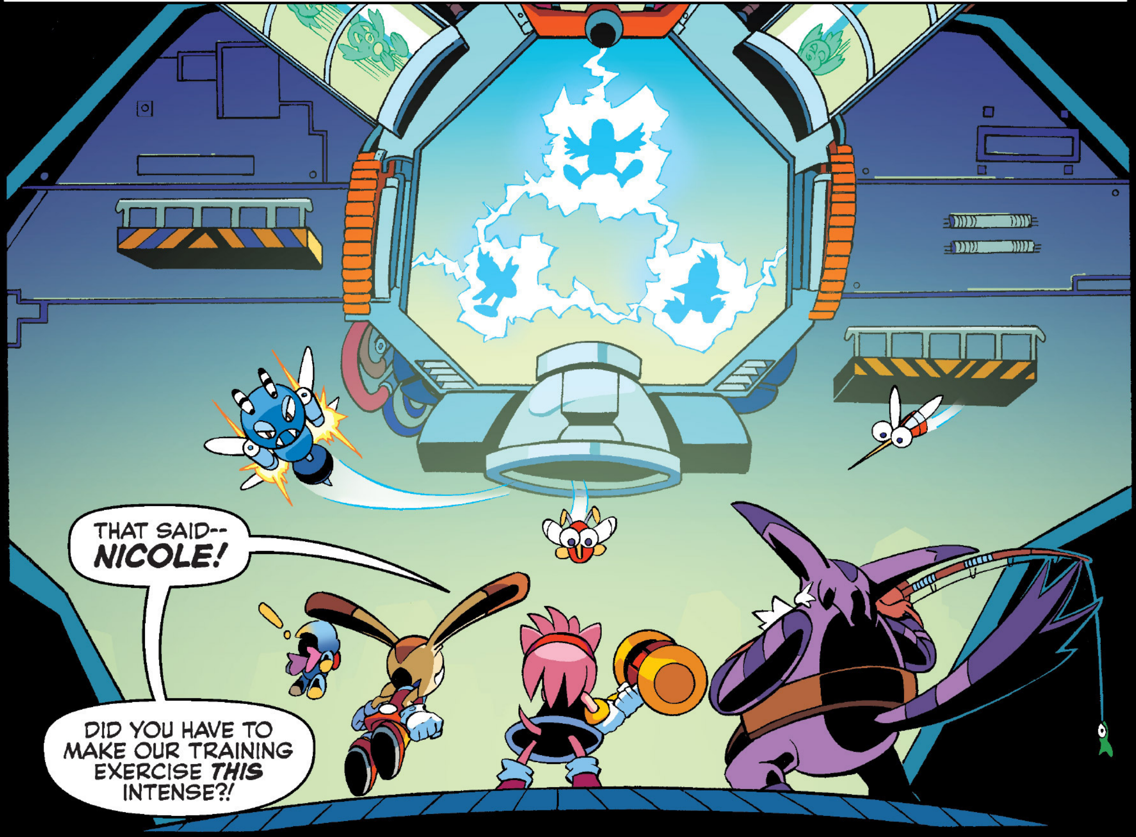
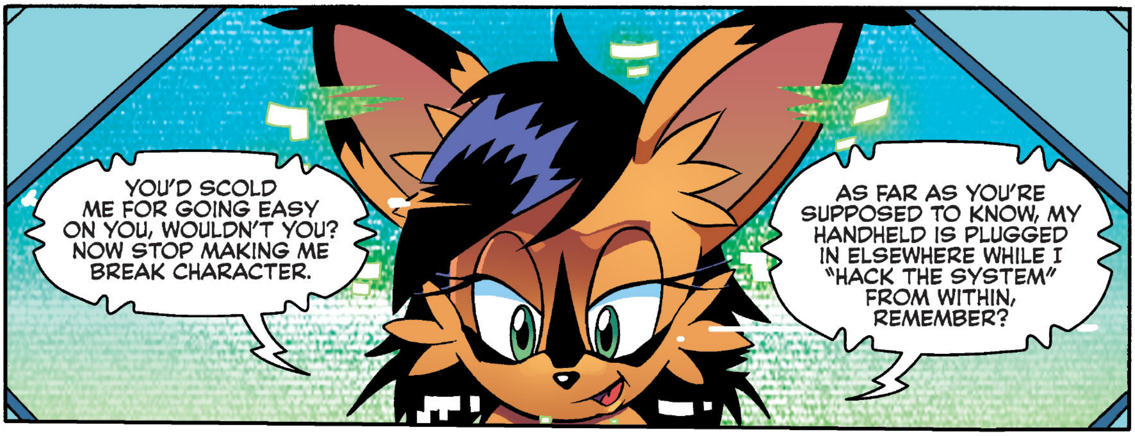
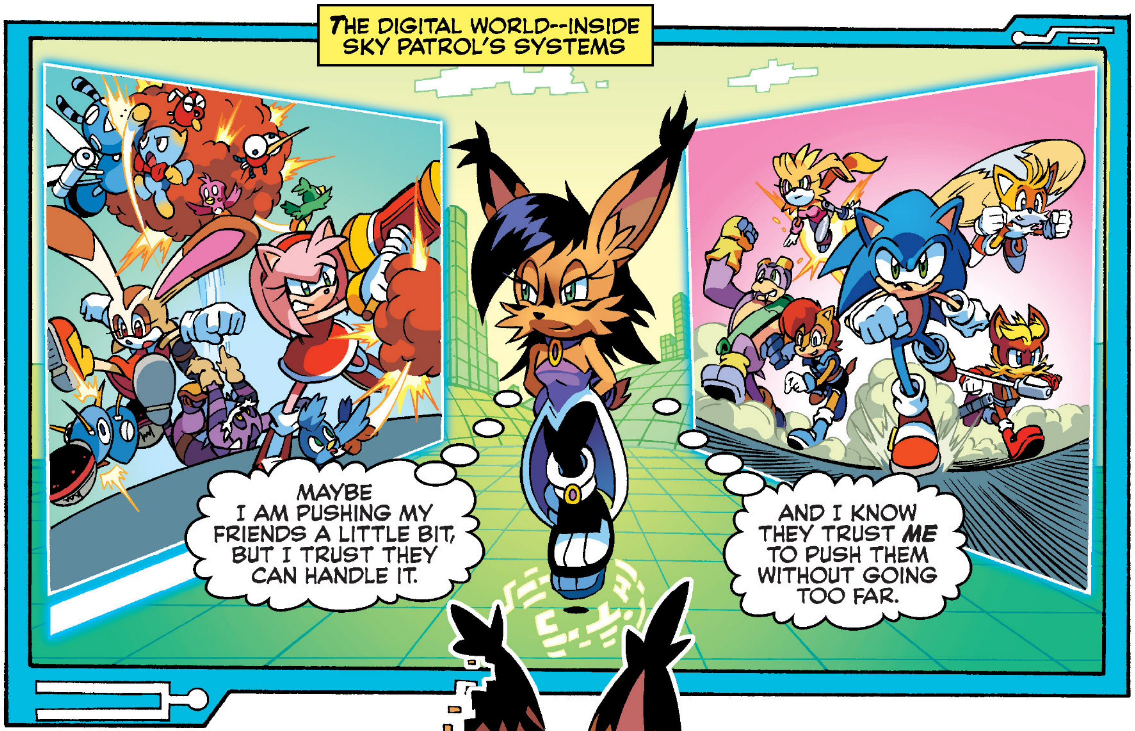
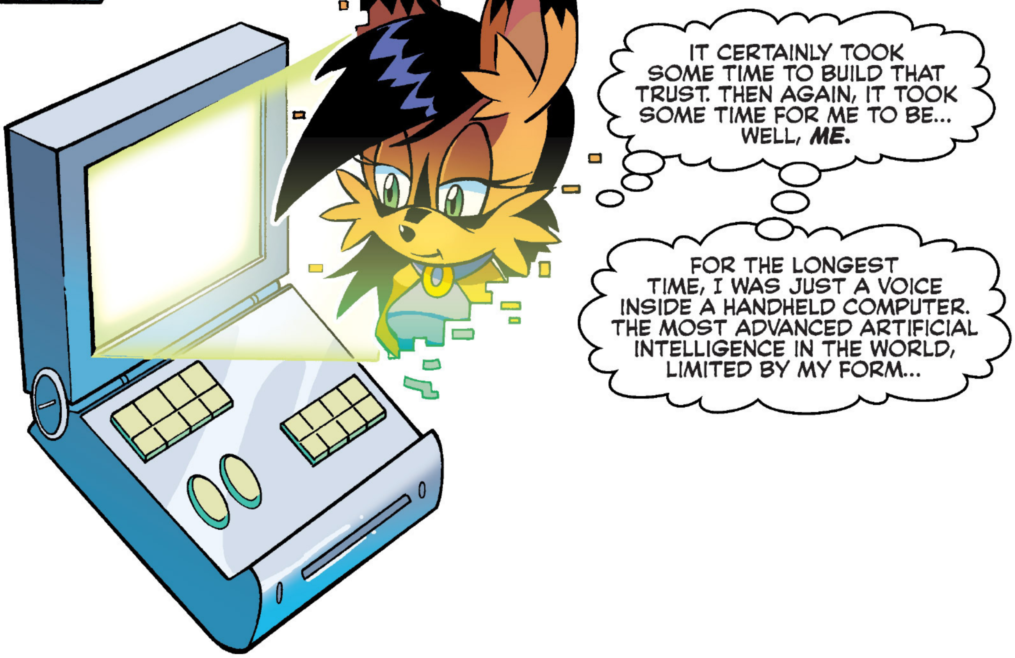
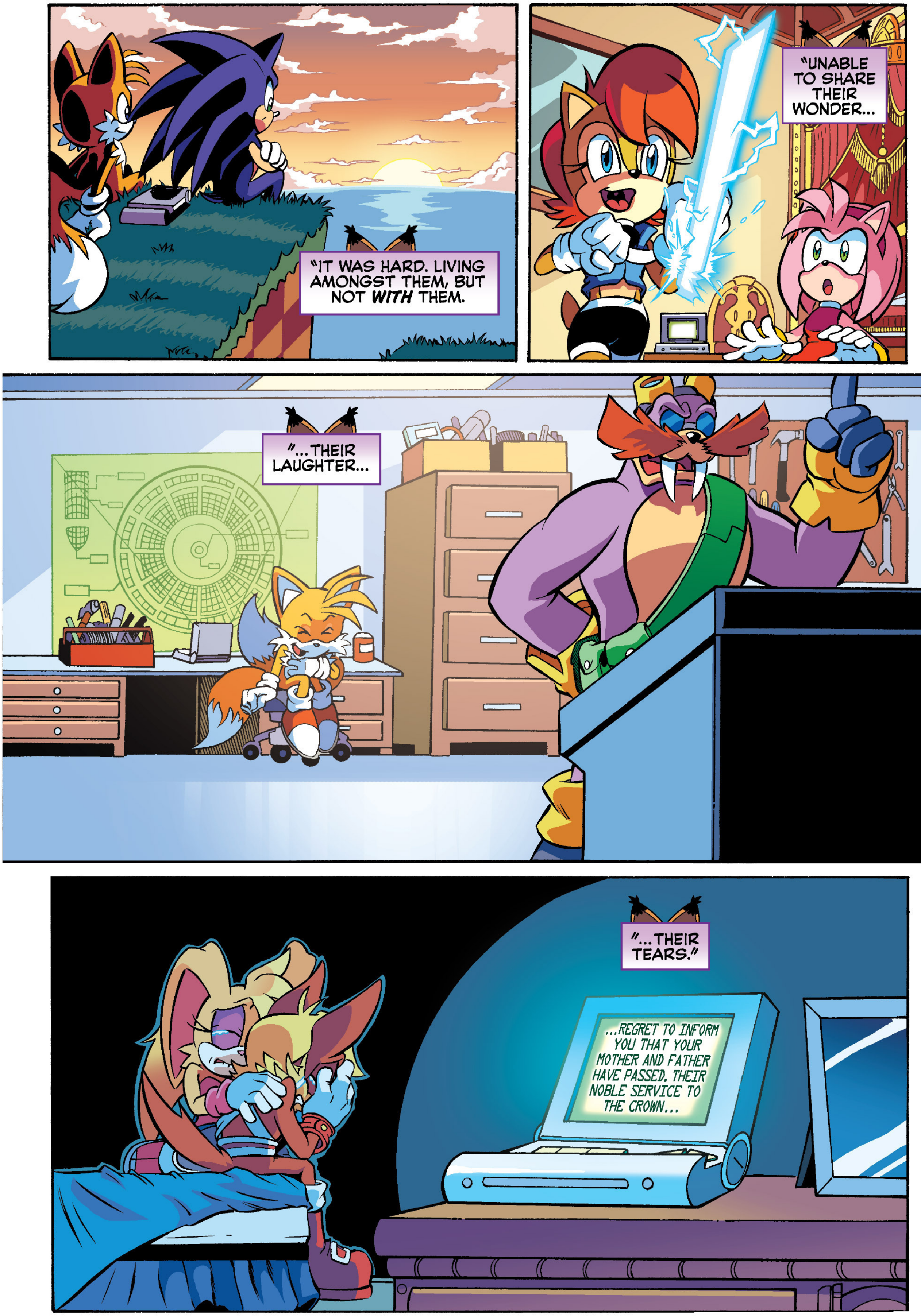
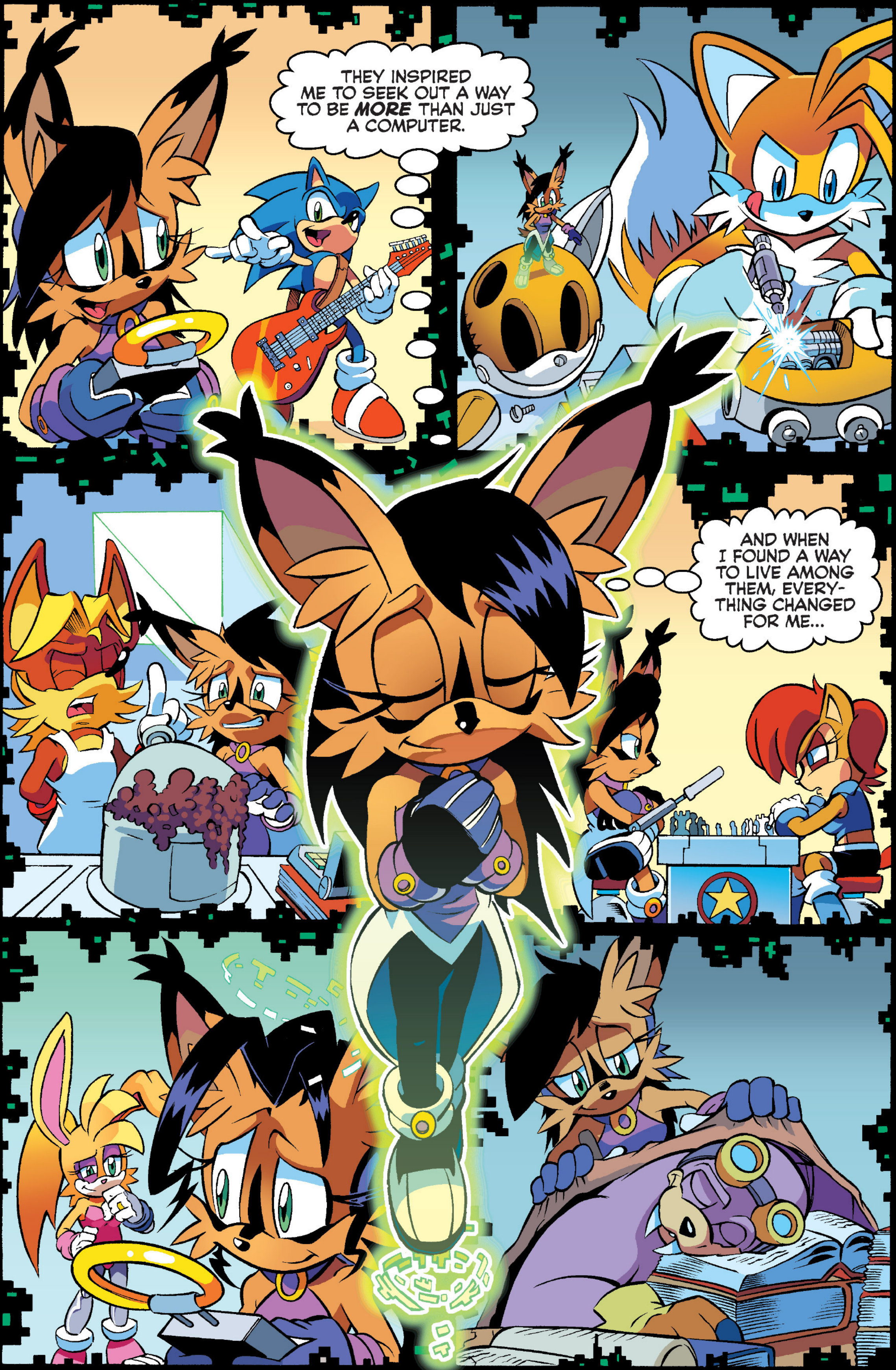

THAT SAID-- NICOLE!
DID YOU HAVE TO MAKE OUR TRAINING EXERCISE THIS INTENSE?!

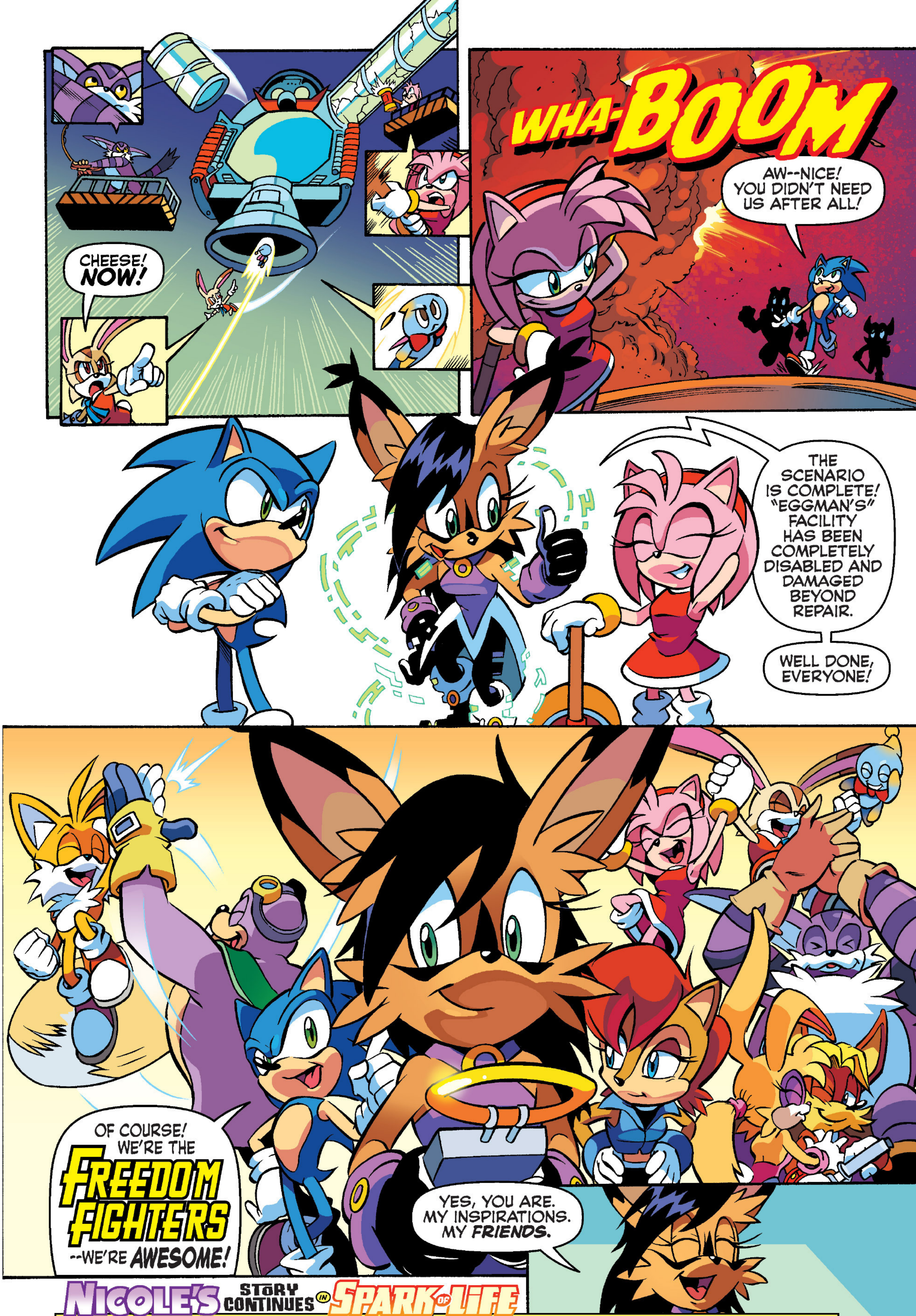

YOU'D SCOLD ME FOR GOING EASY ON YOU, WOULDN'T YOU? NOW STOP MAKING ME BREAK CHARACTER.
AS FAR AS YOU'RE SUPPOSED TO KNOW, MY HANDHELD IS PLUGGED IN ELSEWHERE WHILE I "HACK THE SYSTEM" FROM WITHIN, REMEMBER?


THE DIGITAL WORLD--INSIDE SKY PATROL'S SYSTEMS
MAYBE I AM PUSHING MY FRIENDS A LITTLE BIT, BUT I TRUST THEY CAN HANDLE IT.
AND I KNOW THEY TRUST *ME* TO PUSH THEM WITHOUT GOING TOO FAR.


IT CERTAINLY TOOK SOME TIME TO BUILD THAT TRUST. THEN AGAIN, IT TOOK SOME TIME FOR ME TO BE... WELL, *ME*.
FOR THE LONGEST TIME, I WAS JUST A VOICE INSIDE A HANDHELD COMPUTER. THE MOST ADVANCED ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE IN THE WORLD, LIMITED BY MY FORM...


"IT WAS HARD. LIVING AMONGST THEM, BUT NOT *WITH* THEM.
"UNABLE TO SHARE THEIR WONDER...
"...THEIR LAUGHTER...
"...THEIR TEARS."
...REGRET TO INFORM YOU THAT YOUR MOTHER AND FATHER HAVE PASSED. THEIR NOBLE SERVICE TO THE CROWN...


THEY INSPIRED ME TO SEEK OUT A WAY TO BE *MORE* THAN JUST A COMPUTER.
AND WHEN I FOUND A WAY TO LIVE AMONG THEM, EVERYTHING CHANGED FOR ME...


CHEESE! NOW!
WHA-BOOM
AW--NICE! YOU DIDN'T NEED US AFTER ALL!
THE SCENARIO IS COMPLETE! "EGGMAN'S" FACILITY HAS BEEN COMPLETELY DISABLED AND DAMAGED BEYOND REPAIR.
WELL DONE, EVERYONE!
OF COURSE! WE'RE THE FREEDOM FIGHTERS --WE'RE AWESOME!
YES, YOU ARE. MY INSPIRATIONS. MY FRIENDS.

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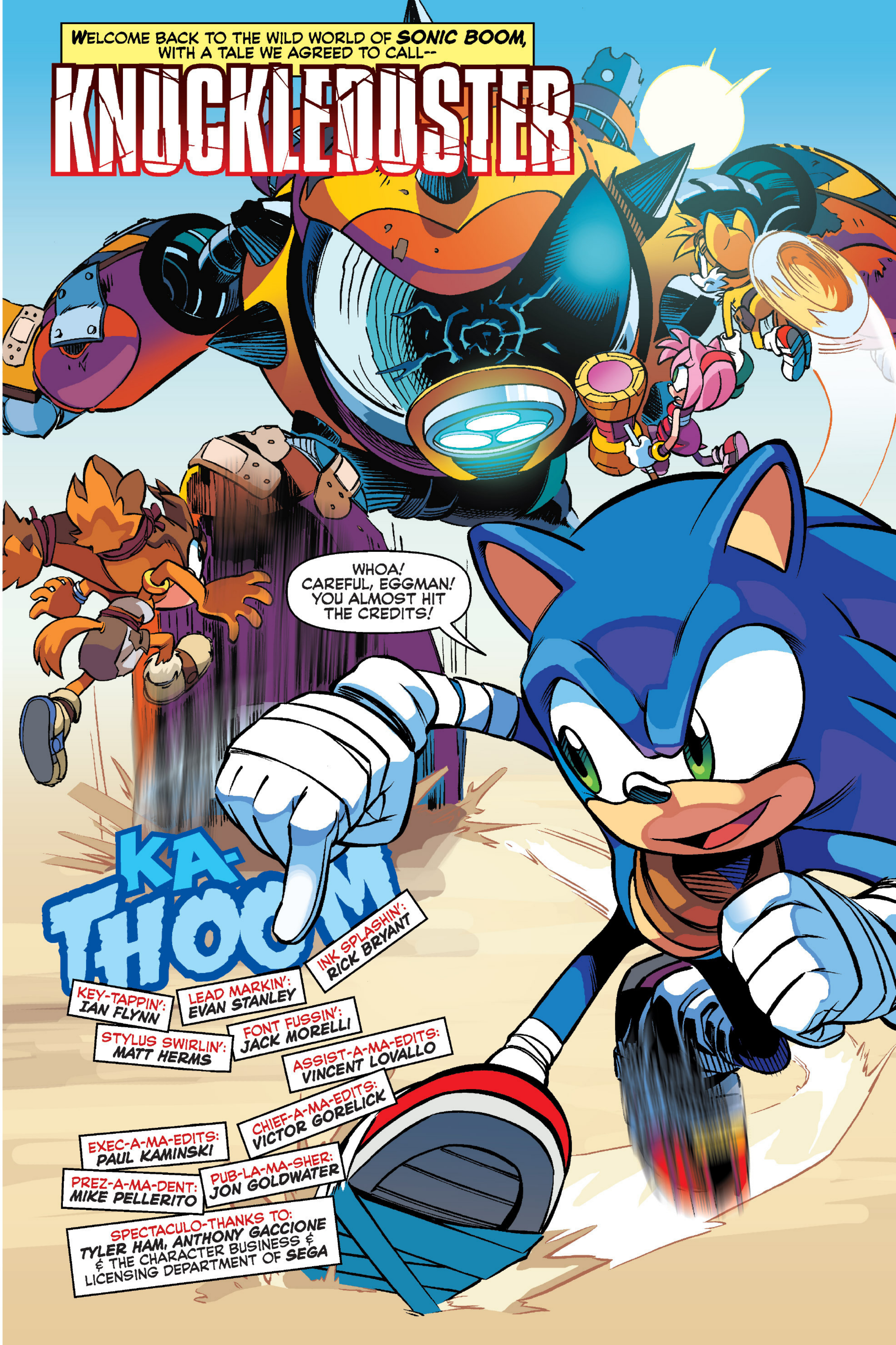
WELCOME BACK TO THE WILD WORLD OF SONIC BOOM, WITH A TALE WE AGREED TO CALL--
KNUCKLEDUSTER
WHOA! CAREFUL, EGGMAN! YOU ALMOST HIT THE CREDITS!
KA-THOOM
KEY-TAPPIN': IAN FLYNN
LEAD MARKIN': EVAN STANLEY
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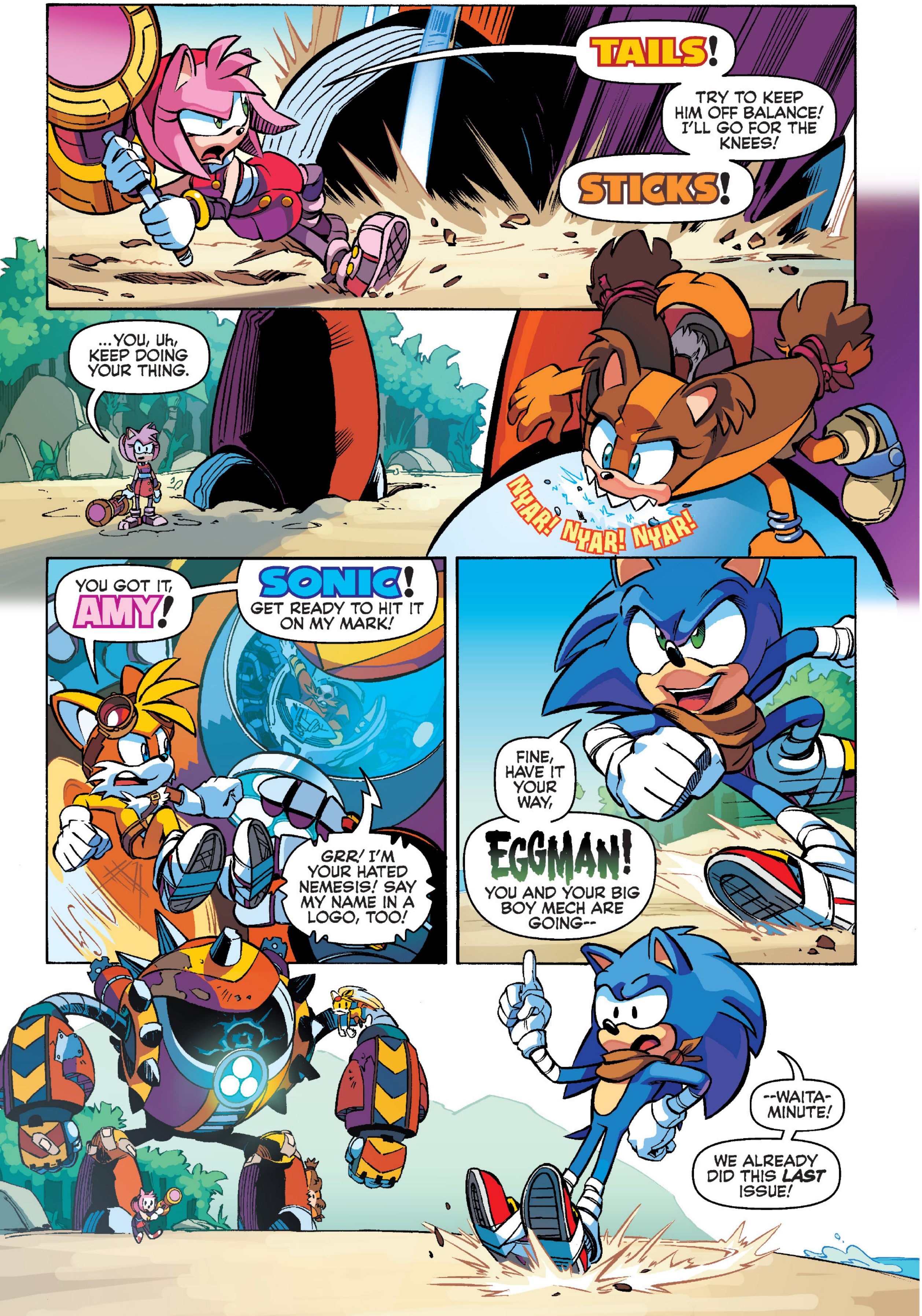
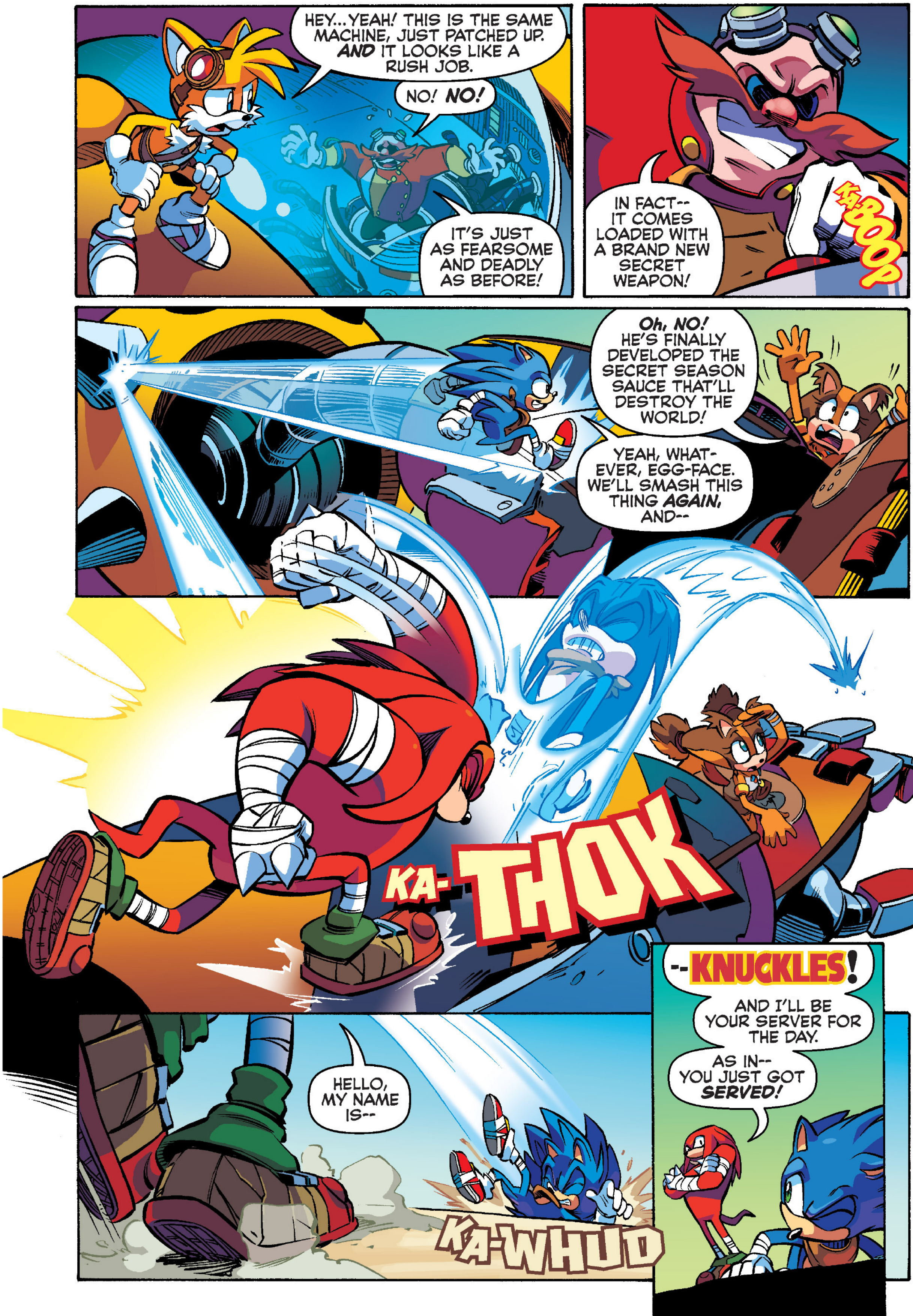
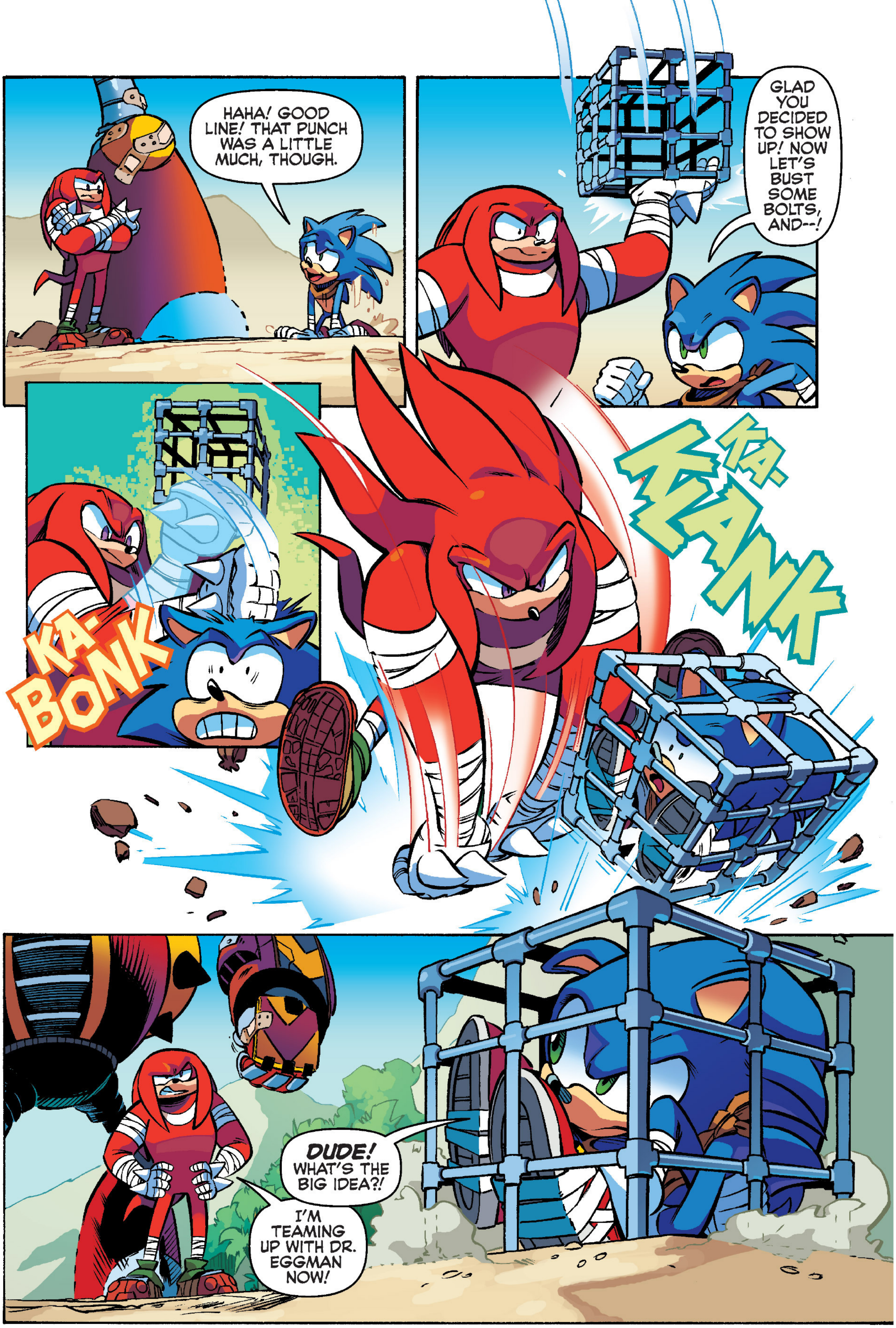
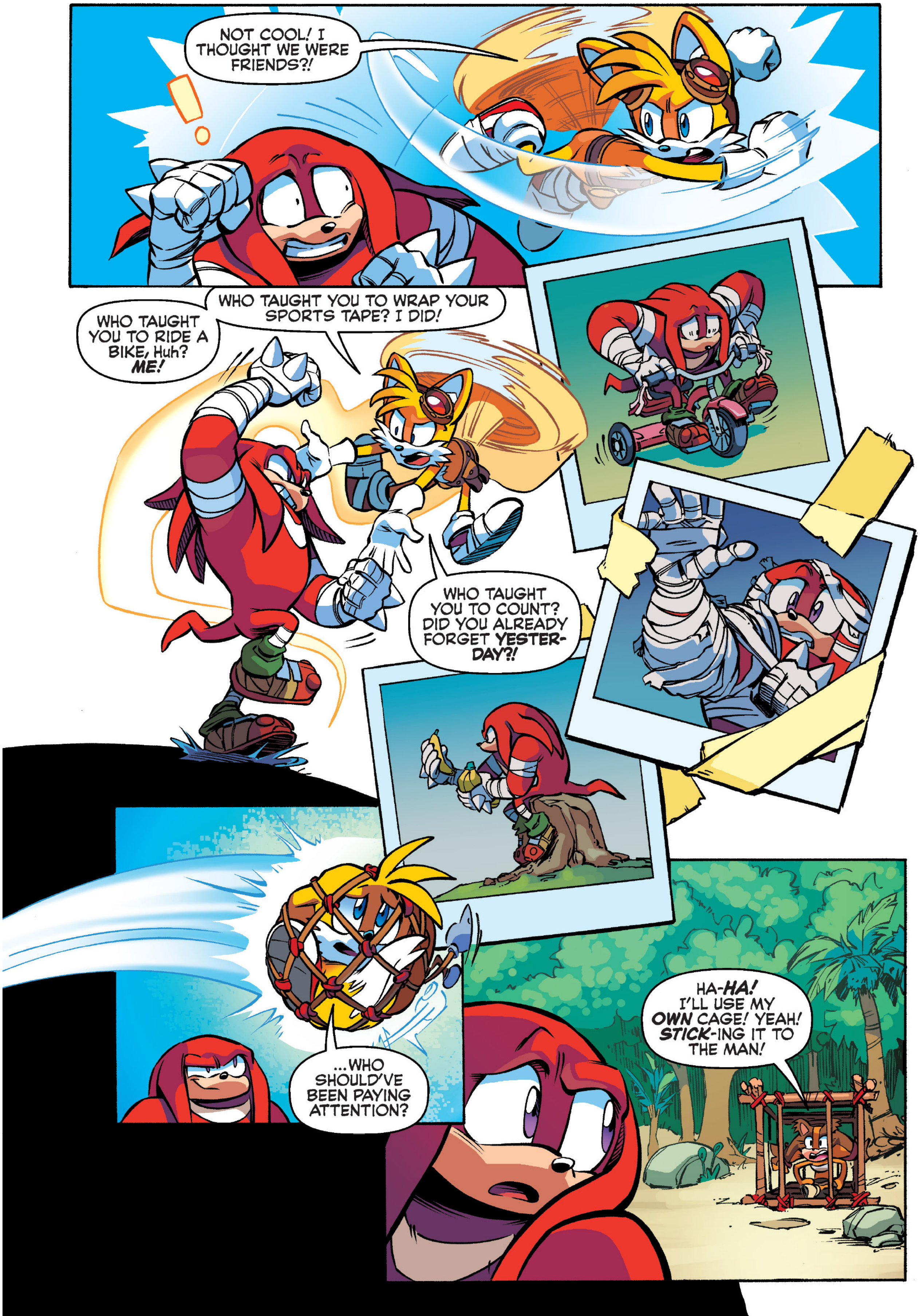
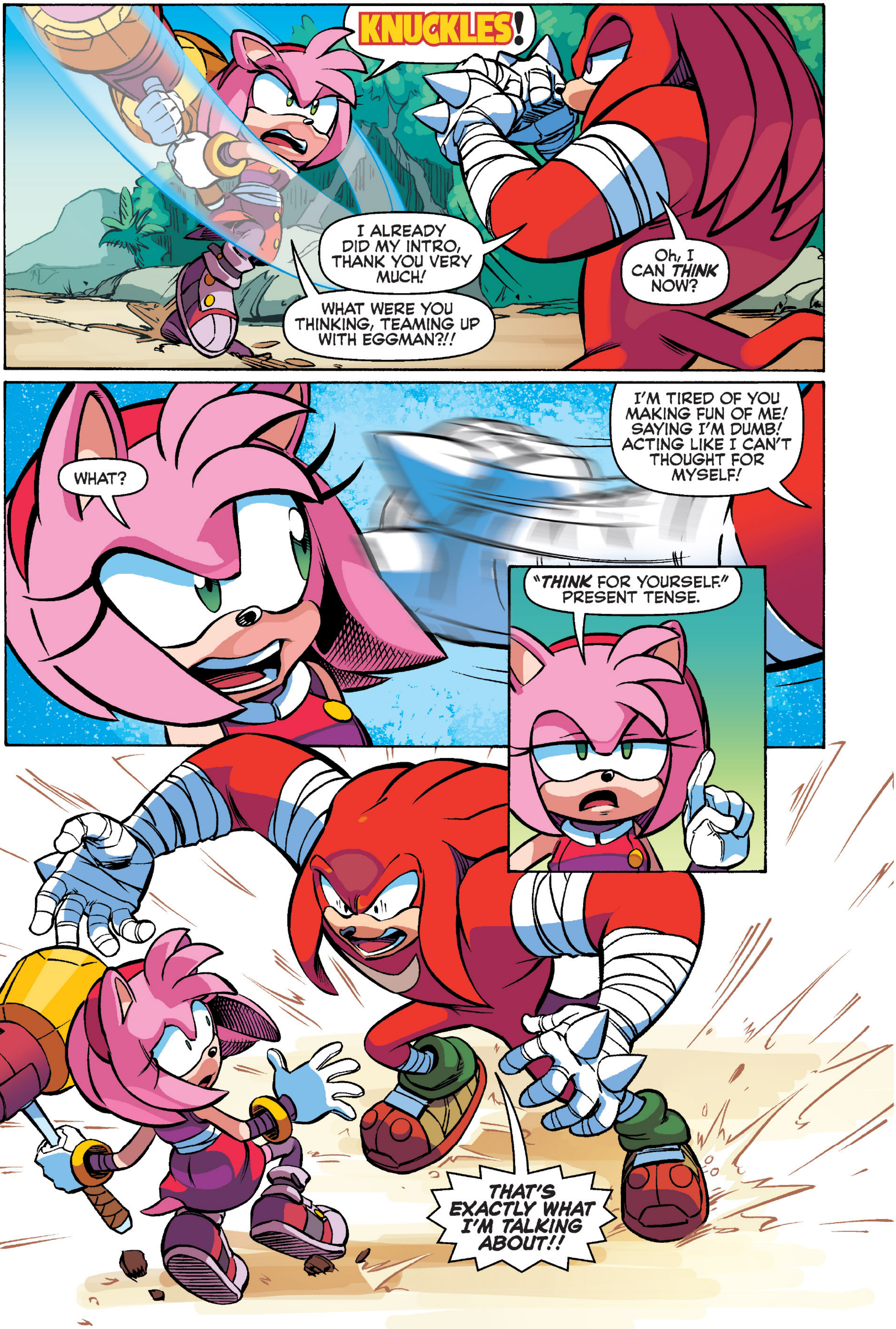
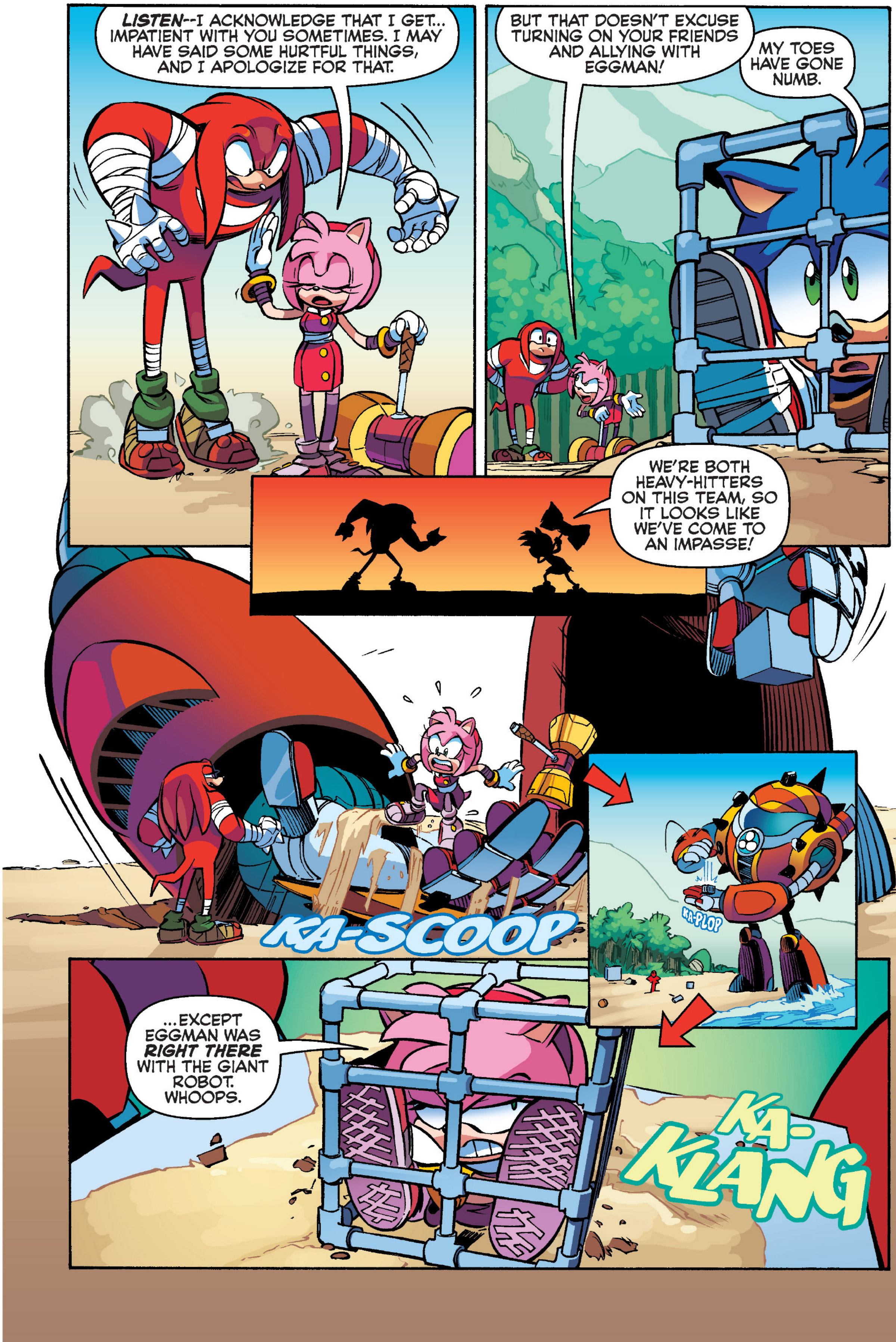

TAILS!
TRY TO KEEP HIM OFF BALANCE! I'LL GO FOR THE KNEES!
STICKS!
...YOU, Uh, KEEP DOING YOUR THING.
NYAR! NYAR! NYAR!
YOU GOT IT, AMY!
SONIC! GET READY TO HIT IT ON MY MARK!
GRR! I'M YOUR HATED NEMESIS! SAY MY NAME IN A LOGO, TOO!
FINE, HAVE IT YOUR WAY,
EGGMAN! YOU AND YOUR BIG BOY MECH ARE GOING--
--WAITA-MINUTE!
WE ALREADY DID THIS *LAST* ISSUE!

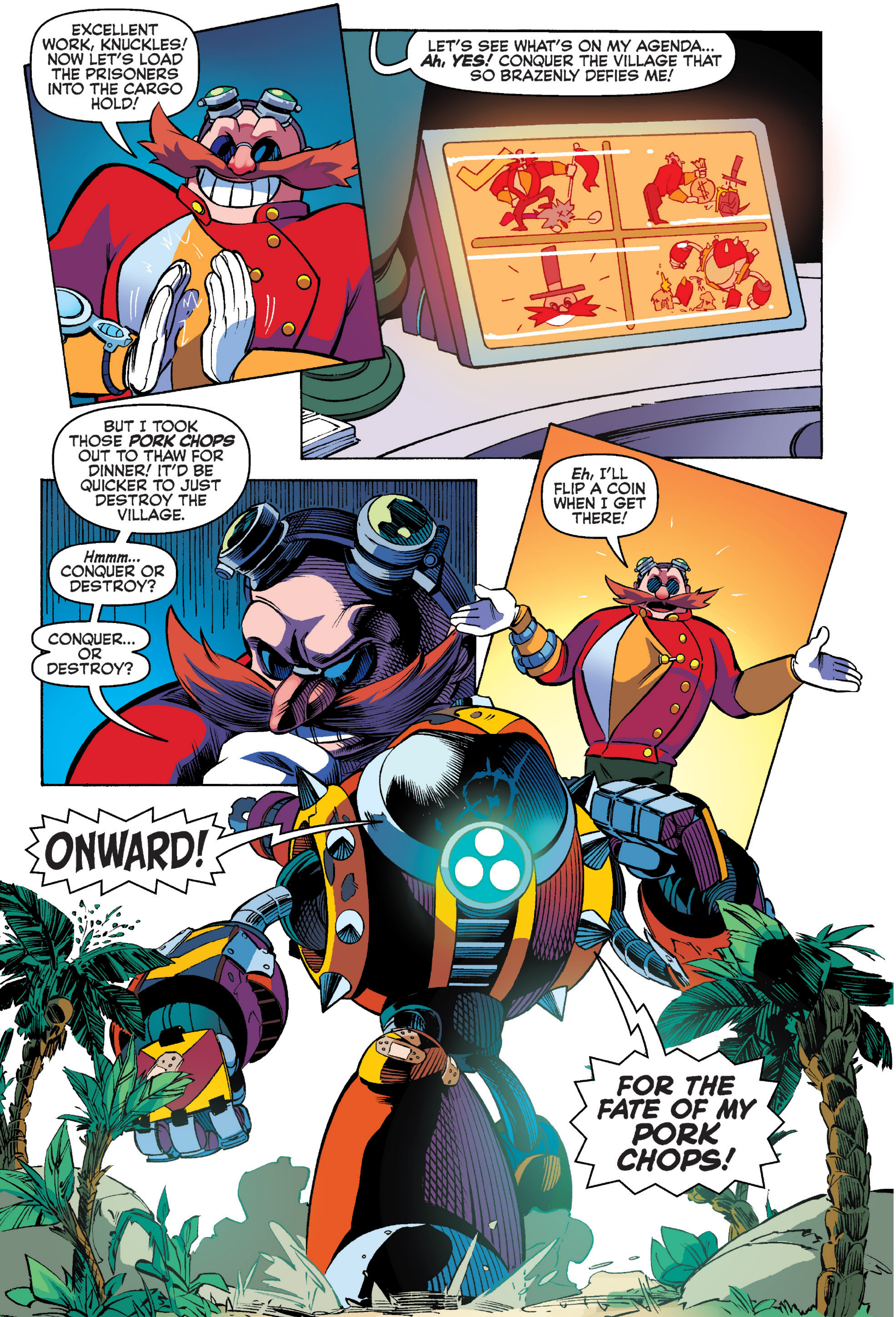

HEY...YEAH! THIS IS THE SAME MACHINE, JUST PATCHED UP. **AND** IT LOOKS LIKE A RUSH JOB.
NO! **NO!**
IT'S JUST AS FEARSOME AND DEADLY AS BEFORE!
IN FACT-- IT COMES LOADED WITH A BRAND NEW SECRET WEAPON!
KA-BOOP
Oh, NO! HE'S FINALLY DEVELOPED THE SECRET SEASON SAUCE THAT'LL DESTROY THE WORLD!
YEAH, WHATEVER, EGG-FACE. WE'LL SMASH THIS THING ***AGAIN,*** AND--
KA-THOK
HELLO, MY NAME IS--
KA-WHUD
--KNUCKLES!
AND I'LL BE YOUR SERVER FOR THE DAY.
AS IN-- YOU JUST GOT ***SERVED!***

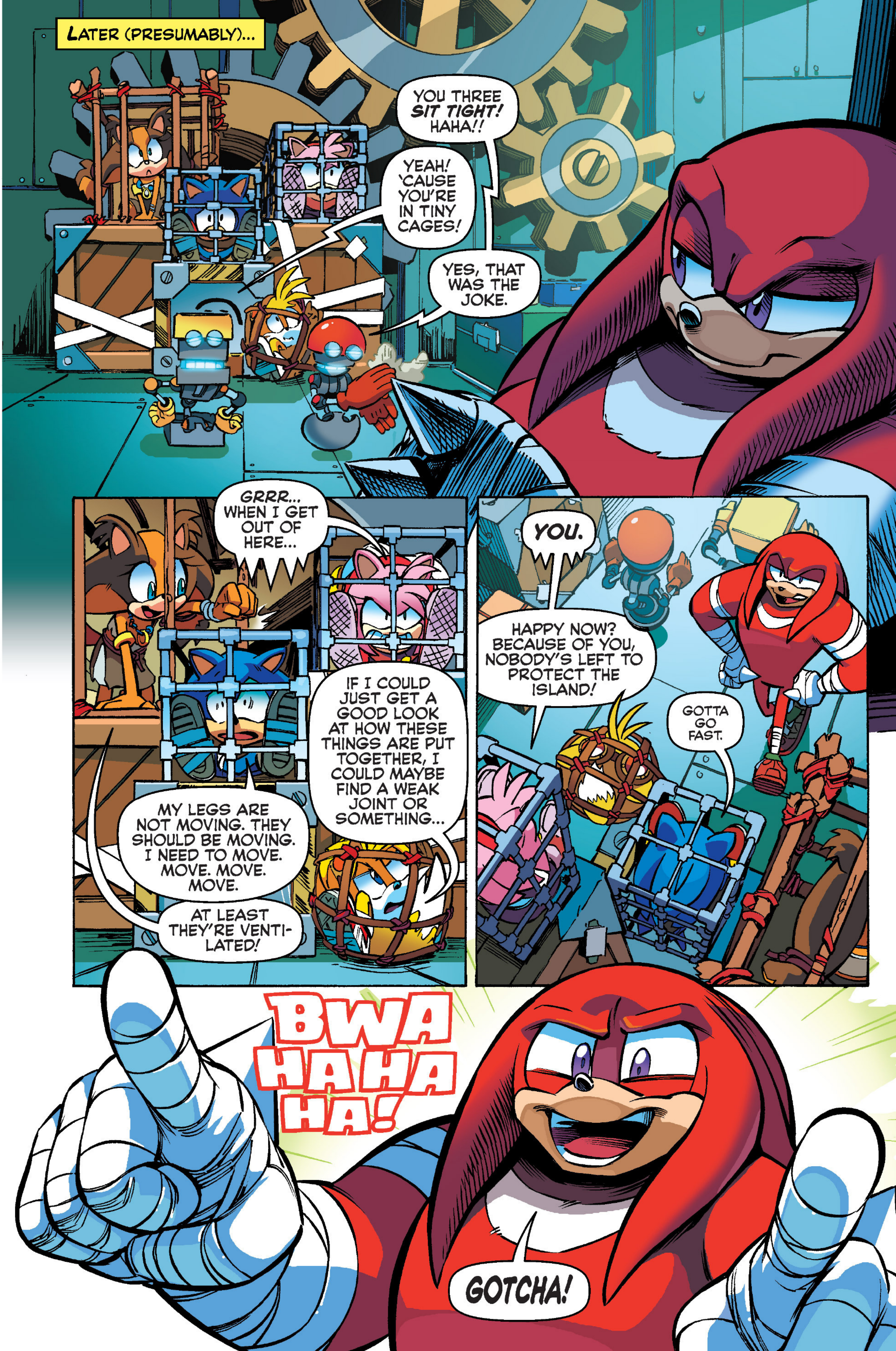

HAHA! GOOD LINE! THAT PUNCH WAS A LITTLE MUCH, THOUGH.
GLAD YOU DECIDED TO SHOW UP! NOW LET'S BUST SOME BOLTS, AND--!
KA-BONK
KA-KANK
DUDE! WHAT'S THE BIG IDEA?!
I'M TEAMING UP WITH DR. EGGMAN NOW!

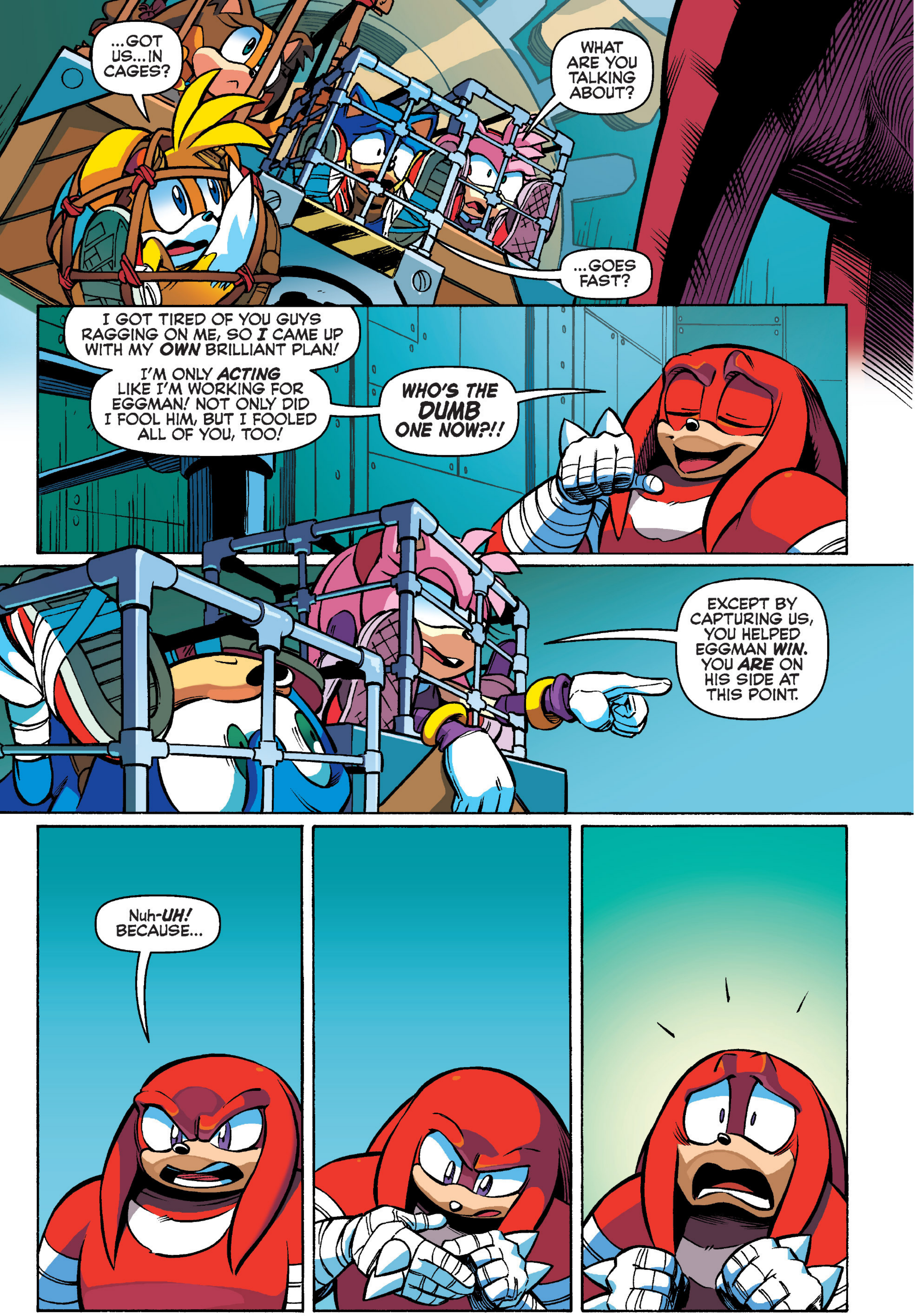

NOT COOL! I THOUGHT WE WERE FRIENDS?!
!
WHO TAUGHT YOU TO RIDE A BIKE, Huh? ME!
WHO TAUGHT YOU TO WRAP YOUR SPORTS TAPE? I DID!
WHO TAUGHT YOU TO COUNT? DID YOU ALREADY FORGET YESTERDAY?!
...WHO SHOULD'VE BEEN PAYING ATTENTION?
HA-HA! I'LL USE MY OWN CAGE! YEAH! STICK-ING IT TO THE MAN!

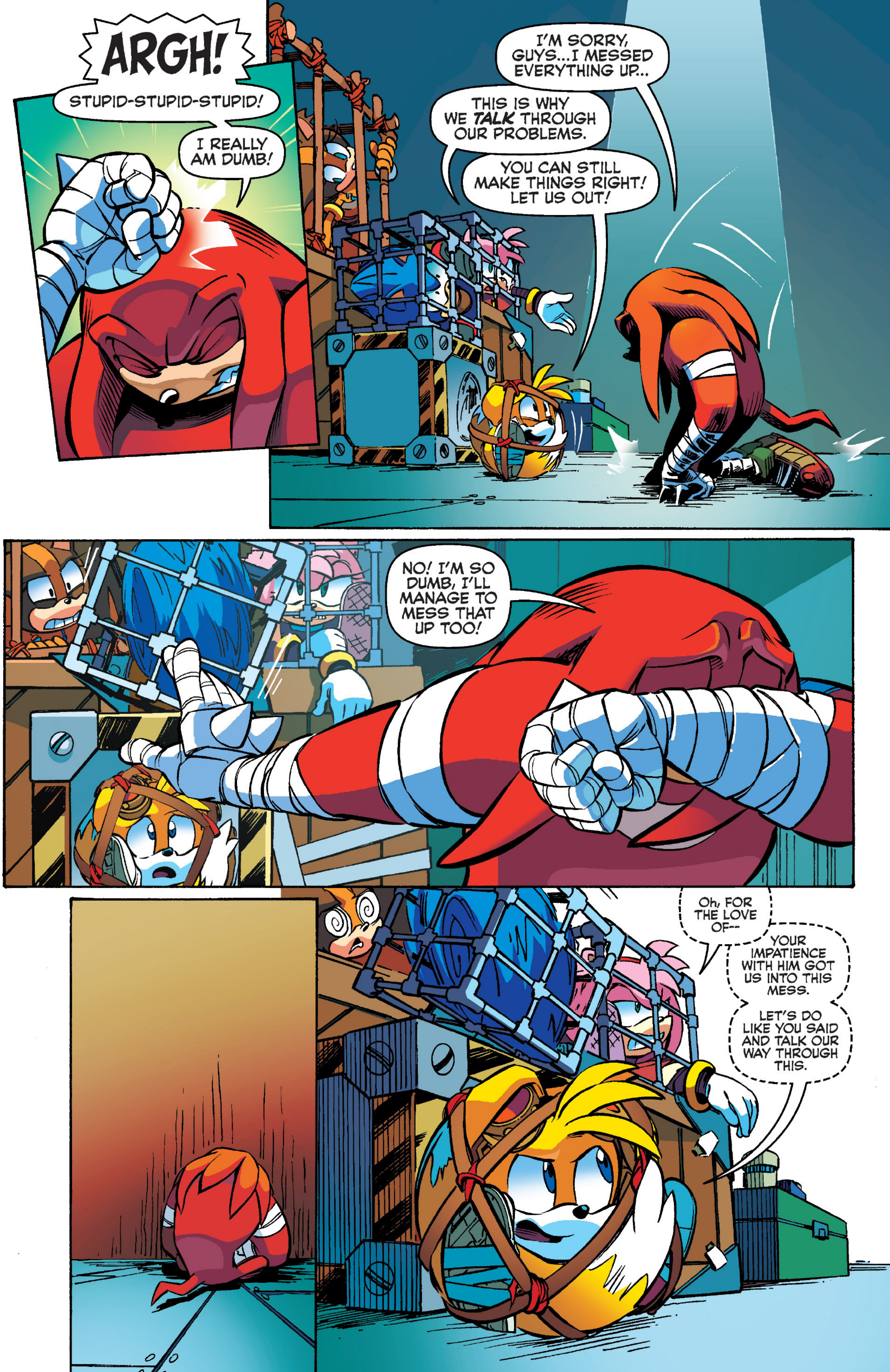

KNUCKLES!
I ALREADY DID MY INTRO, THANK YOU VERY MUCH!
WHAT WERE YOU THINKING, TEAMING UP WITH EGGMAN?!!
Oh, I CAN *THINK* NOW?
WHAT?
I'M TIRED OF YOU MAKING FUN OF ME! SAYING I'M DUMB! ACTING LIKE I CAN'T THOUGHT FOR MYSELF!
"*THINK* FOR YOURSELF." PRESENT TENSE.
THAT'S EXACTLY WHAT I'M TALKING ABOUT!!

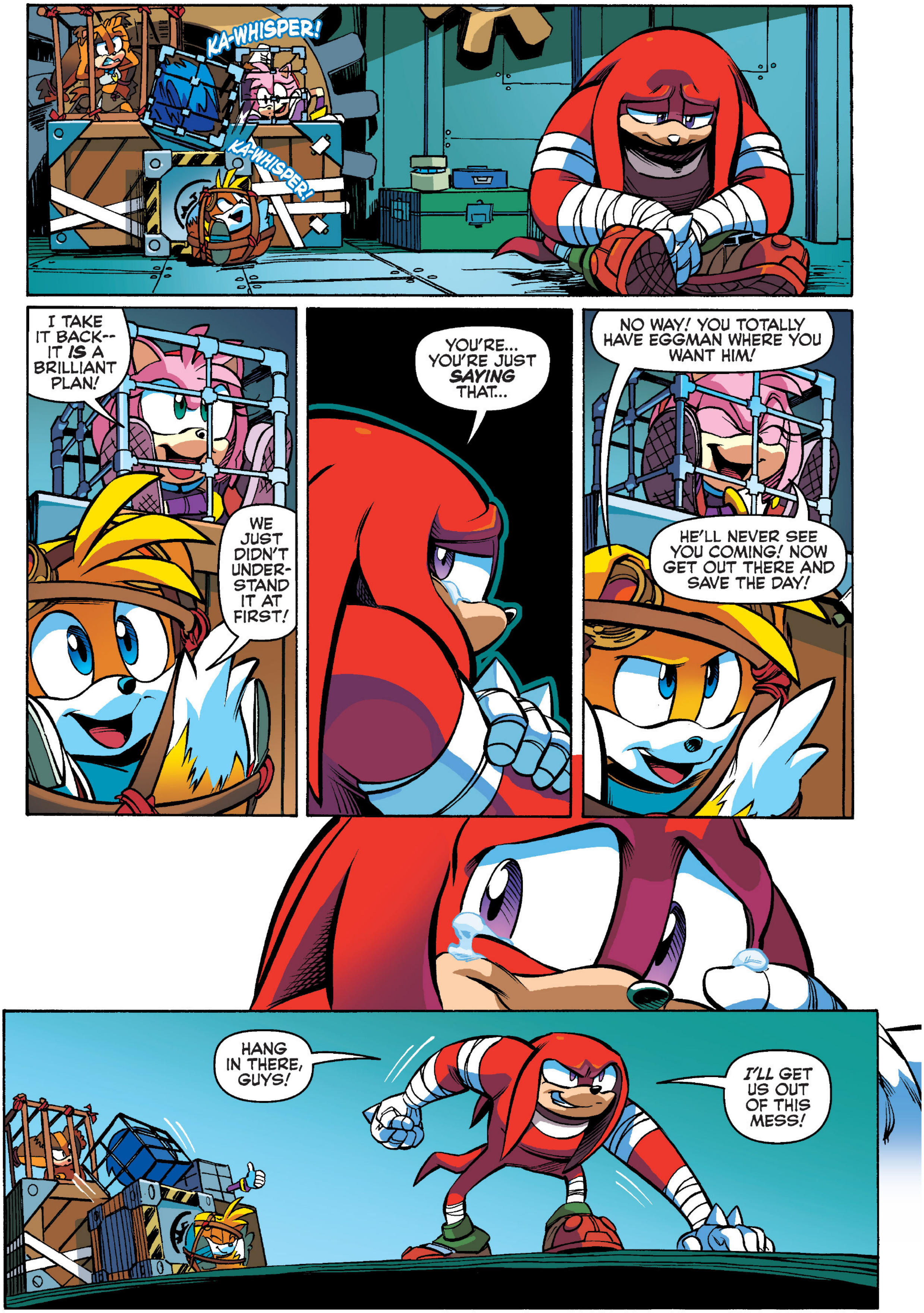

LISTEN--I ACKNOWLEDGE THAT I GET... IMPATIENT WITH YOU SOMETIMES. I MAY HAVE SAID SOME HURTFUL THINGS, AND I APOLOGIZE FOR THAT.
BUT THAT DOESN'T EXCUSE TURNING ON YOUR FRIENDS AND ALLYING WITH EGGMAN!
MY TOES HAVE GONE NUMB.
WE'RE BOTH HEAVY-HITTERS ON THIS TEAM, SO IT LOOKS LIKE WE'VE COME TO AN IMPASSE!
KA-SCOOP
KA-PLOP
...EXCEPT EGGMAN WAS RIGHT THERE WITH THE GIANT ROBOT. WHOOPS.
KA-KLANG

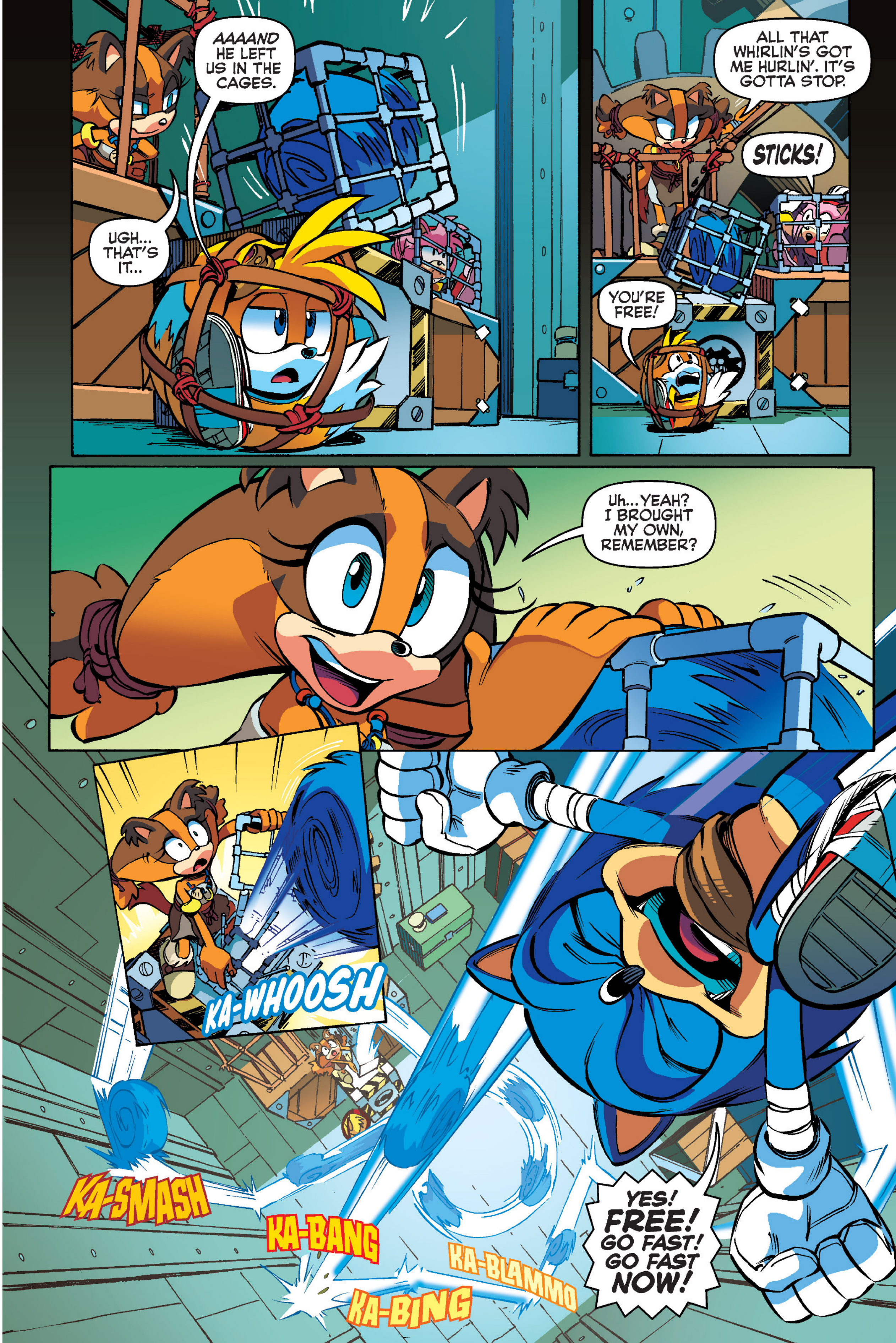

EXCELLENT WORK, KNUCKLES! NOW LET'S LOAD THE PRISONERS INTO THE CARGO HOLD!
LET'S SEE WHAT'S ON MY AGENDA... *Ah, YES!* CONQUER THE VILLAGE THAT SO BRAZENLY DEFIES ME!
BUT I TOOK THOSE ***PORK CHOPS*** OUT TO THAW FOR DINNER! IT'D BE QUICKER TO JUST DESTROY THE VILLAGE.
Hmmm... CONQUER OR DESTROY?
CONQUER... OR DESTROY?
Eh, I'LL FLIP A COIN WHEN I GET THERE!
ONWARD!
FOR THE FATE OF MY PORK CHOPS!

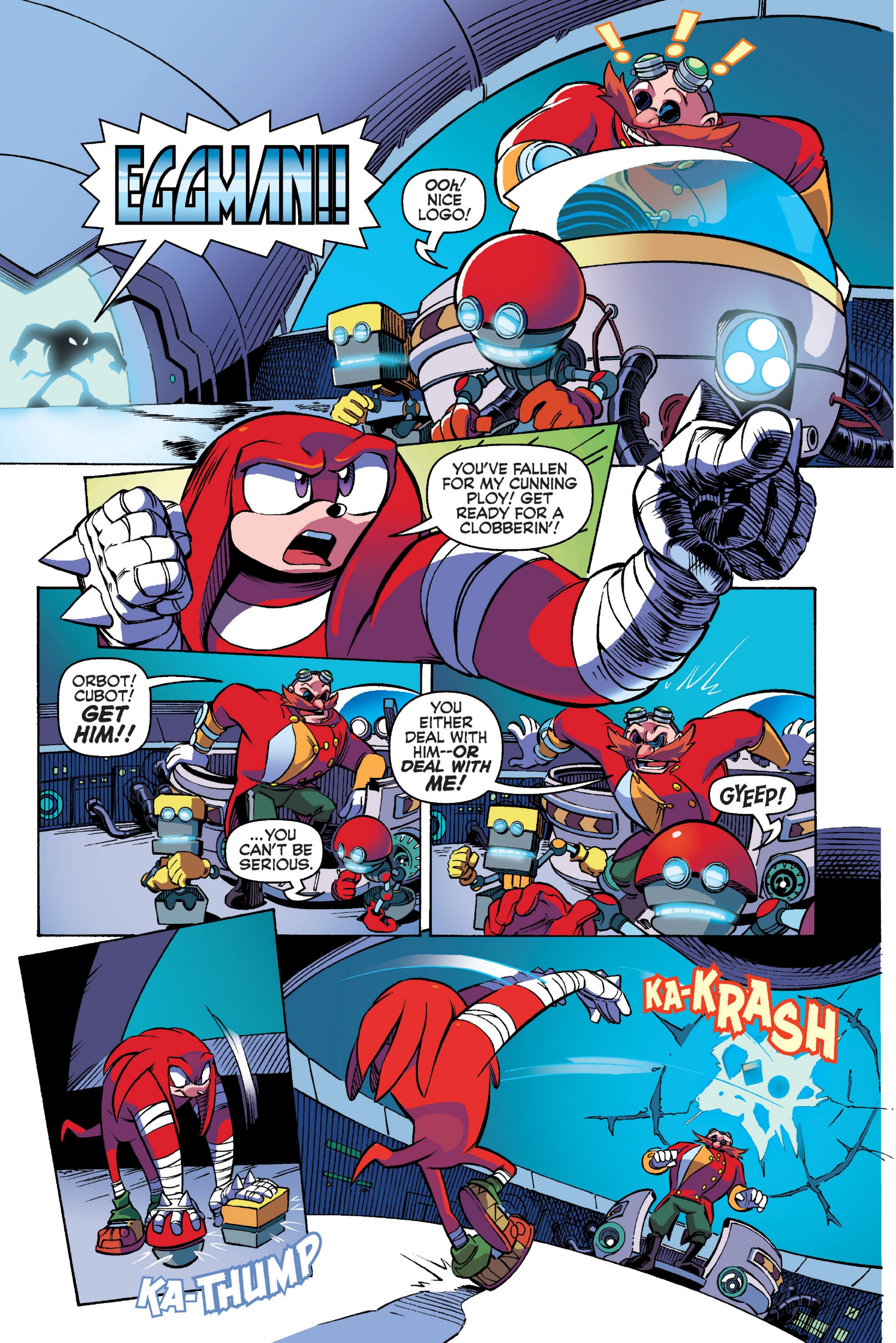

LATER (PRESUMABLY)...
YOU THREE *SIT TIGHT!* HAHA!!
YEAH! 'CAUSE YOU'RE IN TINY CAGES!
YES, THAT WAS THE JOKE.
GRRR... WHEN I GET OUT OF HERE...
MY LEGS ARE NOT MOVING. THEY SHOULD BE MOVING. I NEED TO MOVE. MOVE. MOVE. MOVE.
AT LEAST THEY'RE VENTILATED!
IF I COULD JUST GET A GOOD LOOK AT HOW THESE THINGS ARE PUT TOGETHER, I COULD MAYBE FIND A WEAK JOINT OR SOMETHING...
YOU.
HAPPY NOW? BECAUSE OF YOU, NOBODY'S LEFT TO PROTECT THE ISLAND!
GOTTA GO FAST.
BWA HAHAHA HA!
GOTCHA!

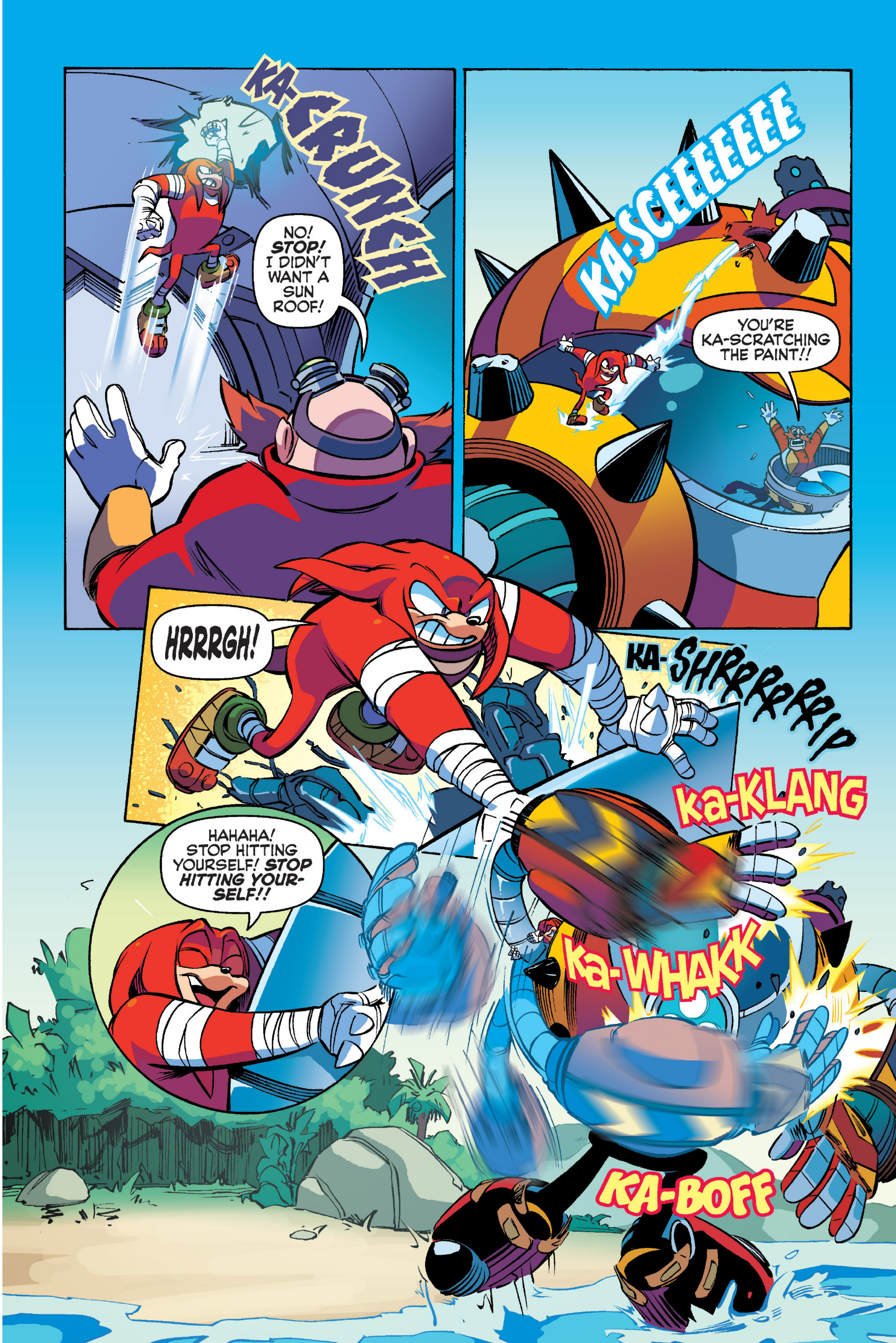

...GOT US...IN CAGES?
WHAT ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT?
...GOES FAST?
I GOT TIRED OF YOU GUYS RAGGING ON ME, SO I CAME UP WITH MY OWN BRILLIANT PLAN!
I'M ONLY ACTING LIKE I'M WORKING FOR EGGMAN! NOT ONLY DID I FOOL HIM, BUT I FOOLED ALL OF YOU, TOO!
WHO'S THE DUMB ONE NOW?!!
EXCEPT BY CAPTURING US, YOU HELPED EGGMAN WIN. YOU ARE ON HIS SIDE AT THIS POINT.
Nuh-UH! BECAUSE...

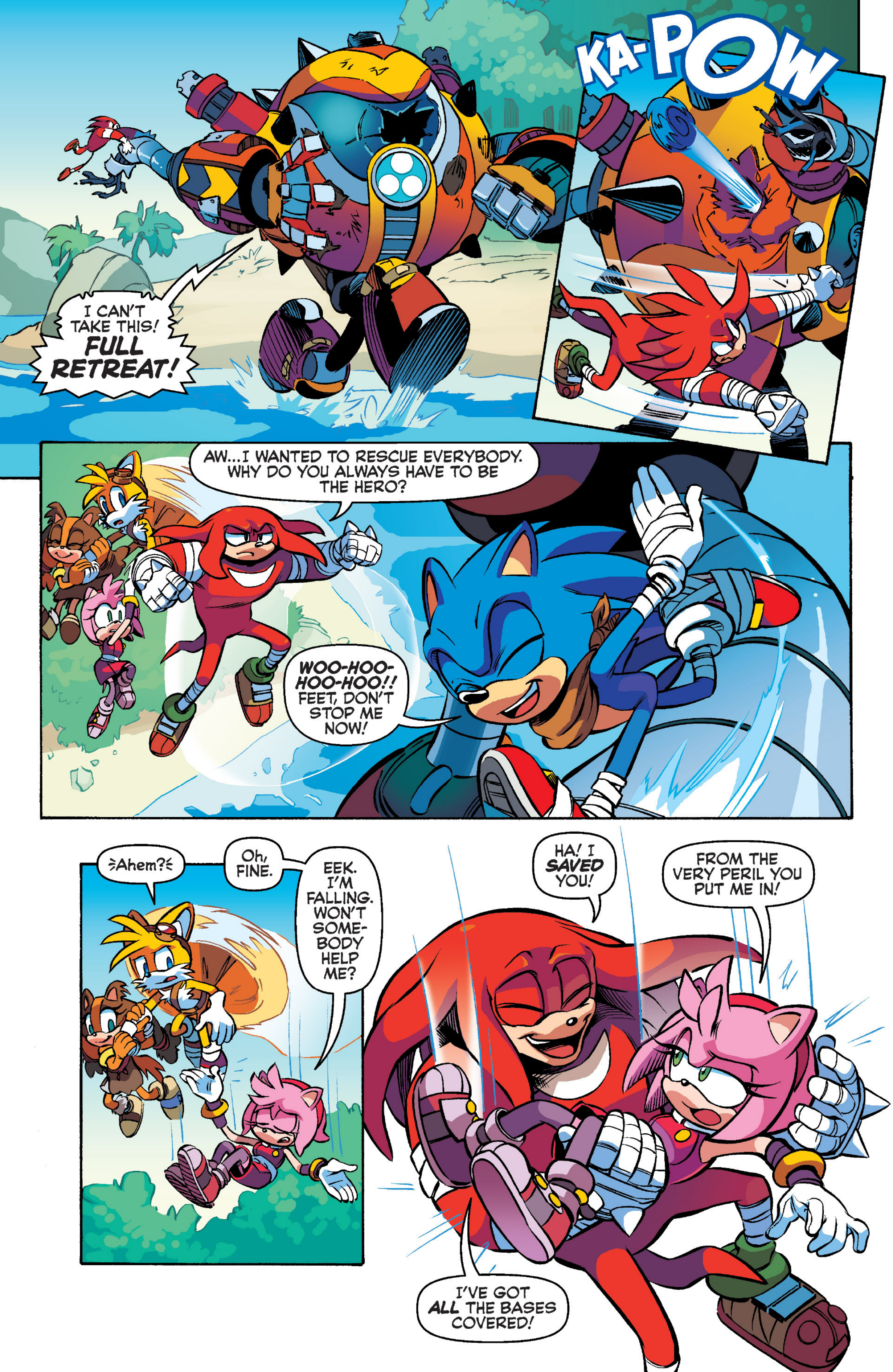

ARGH!
STUPID-STUPID-STUPID!
I REALLY AM DUMB!
I'M SORRY, GUYS...I MESSED EVERYTHING UP...
THIS IS WHY WE *TALK* THROUGH OUR PROBLEMS.
YOU CAN STILL MAKE THINGS RIGHT! LET US OUT!
NO! I'M SO DUMB, I'LL MANAGE TO MESS THAT UP TOO!
Oh, FOR THE LOVE OF--
YOUR IMPATIENCE WITH HIM GOT US INTO THIS MESS.
LET'S DO LIKE YOU SAID AND TALK OUR WAY THROUGH THIS.

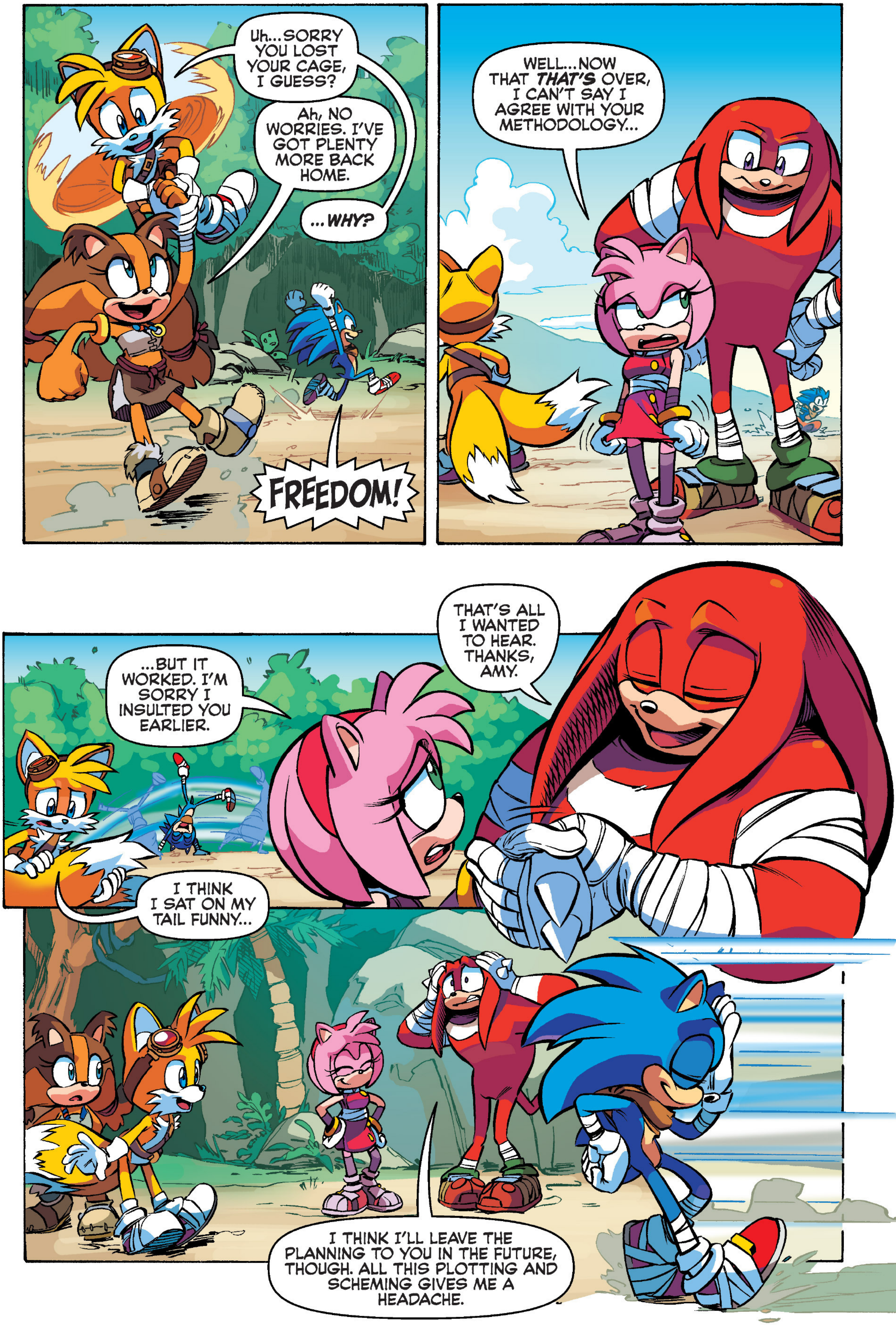

KA-WHISPER!
KA-WHISPER!
I TAKE IT BACK-- IT *IS* A BRILLIANT PLAN!
WE JUST DIDN'T UNDERSTAND IT AT FIRST!
YOU'RE... YOU'RE JUST *SAYING* THAT...
NO WAY! YOU TOTALLY HAVE EGGMAN WHERE YOU WANT HIM!
HE'LL NEVER SEE YOU COMING! NOW GET OUT THERE AND SAVE THE DAY!
HANG IN THERE, GUYS!
I'LL GET US OUT OF THIS MESS!

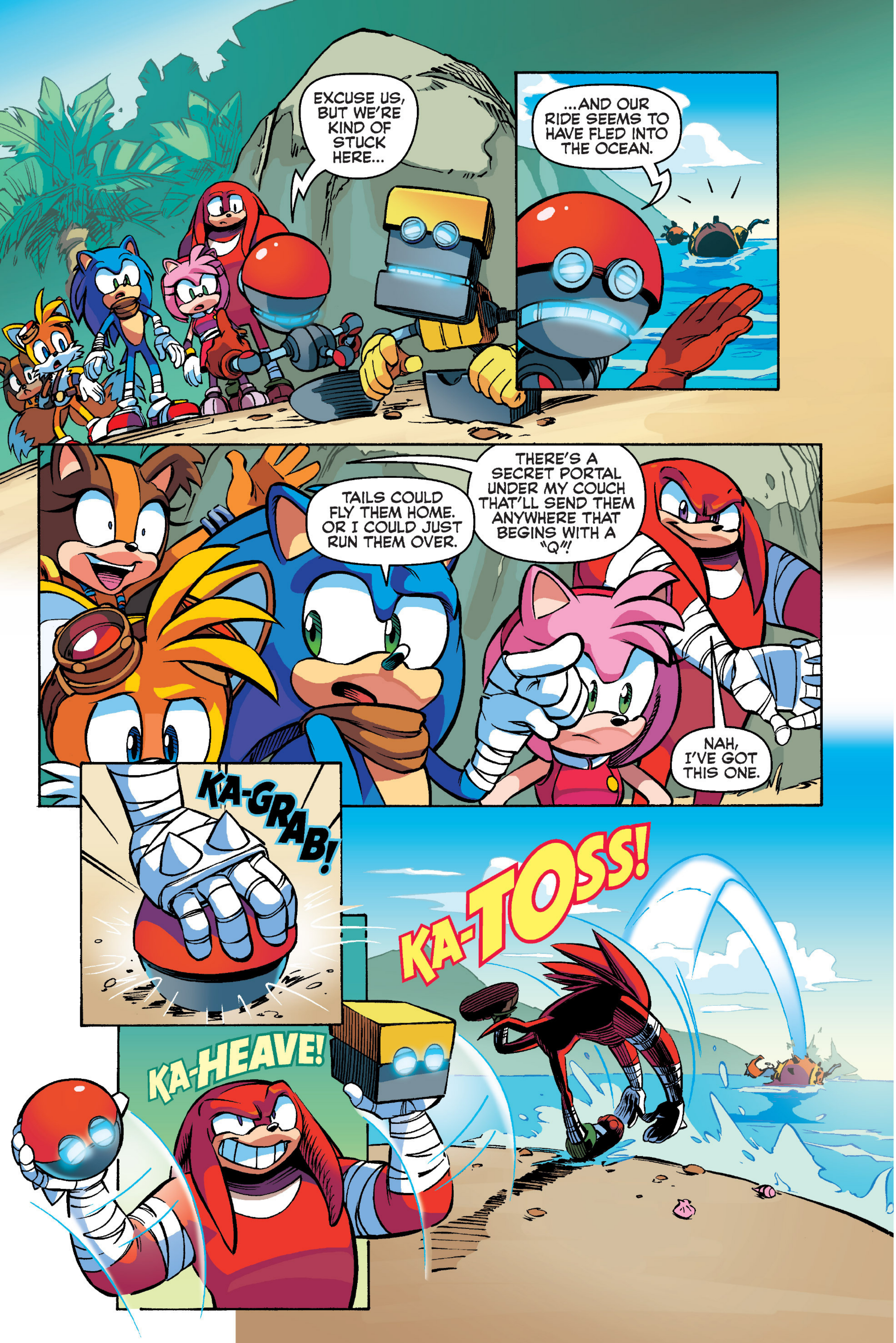

AAAAND HE LEFT US IN THE CAGES.
UGH... THAT'S IT...
ALL THAT WHIRLIN'S GOT ME HURLIN'. IT'S GOTTA STOP.
STICKS!
YOU'RE FREE!
Uh...YEAH? I BROUGHT MY OWN, REMEMBER?
KA-WHOOSH
KA-SMASH
KA-BANG
KA-BLAMMO
KA-BING
YES! FREE! GO FAST! GO FAST NOW!

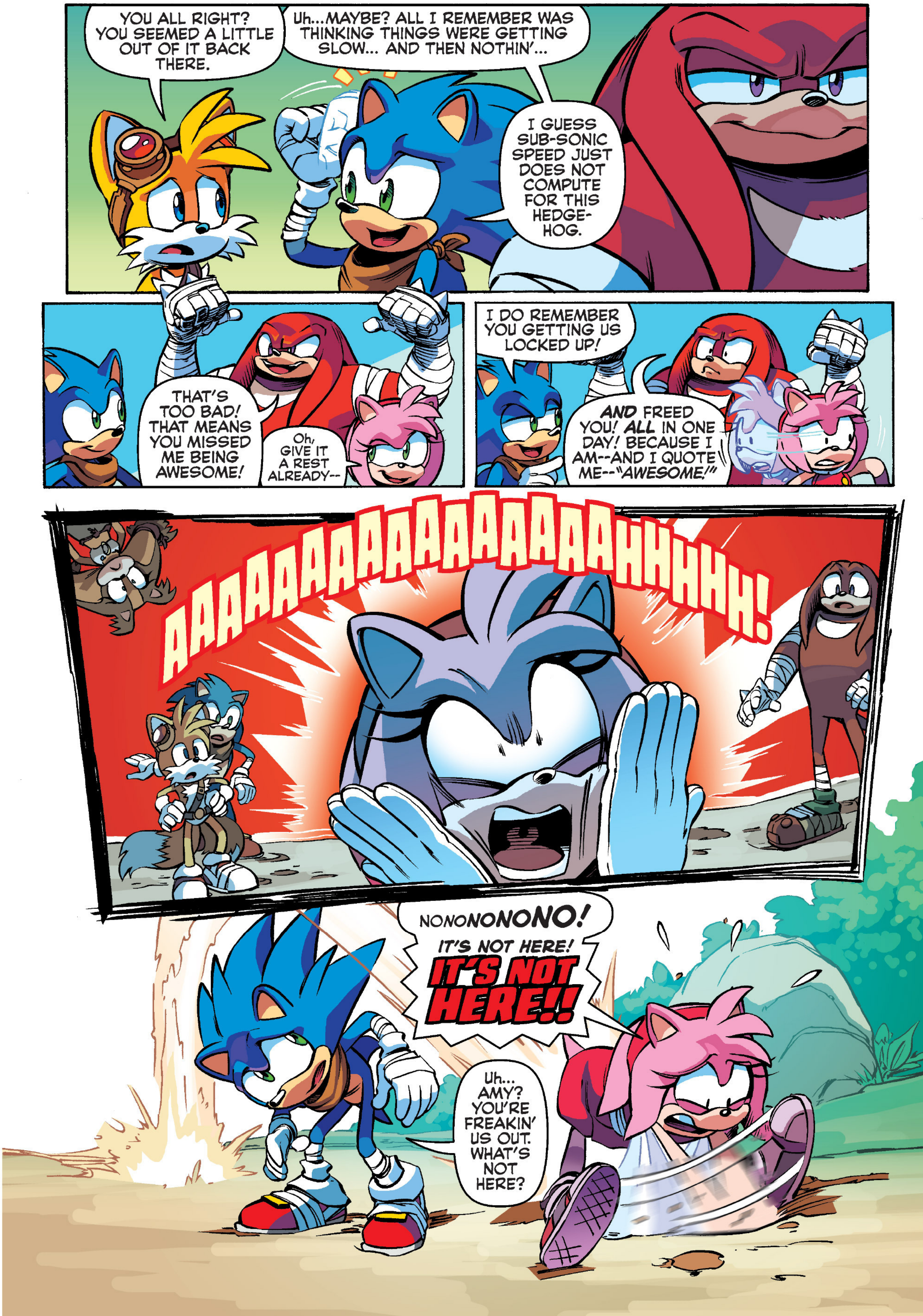

EGGMAN!!
Ooh! NICE LOGO!
YOU'VE FALLEN FOR MY CUNNING PLOY! GET READY FOR A CLOBBERIN'!
ORBOT! CUBOT! **GET HIM!!**
...YOU CAN'T BE SERIOUS.
YOU EITHER DEAL WITH HIM--**OR DEAL WITH ME!**
GYEEP!
KA-THUMP
KA-KRASH

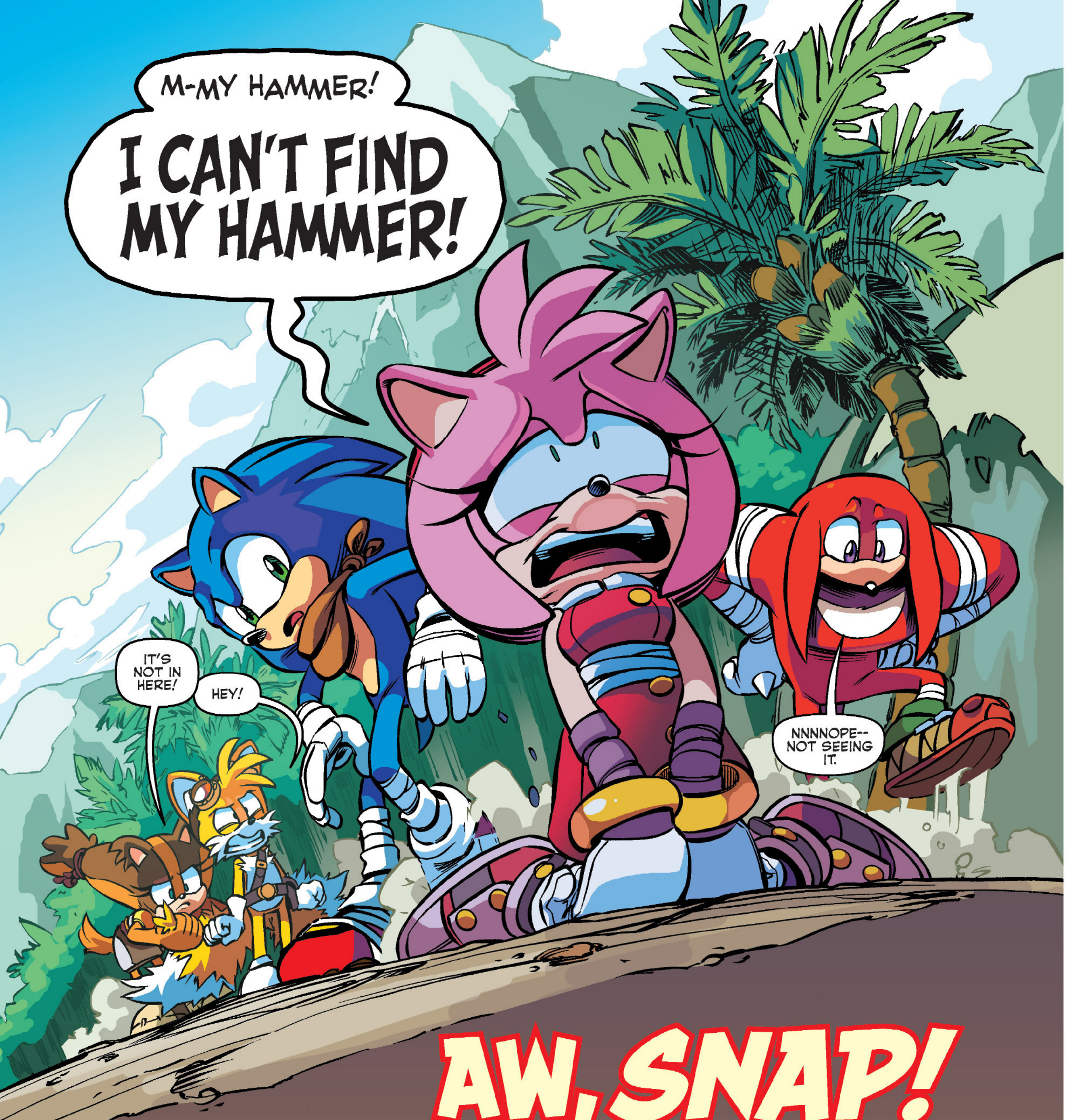

KA-CRUNCH!
NO! STOP! I DIDN'T WANT A SUN ROOF!
KA-SCEEEEEEE
YOU'RE KA-SCRATCHING THE PAINT!!
HRRRGH!
KA-SHRRRRRRIP
ka-KLANG
HAHAHA! STOP HITTING YOURSELF! STOP HITTING YOURSELF!!
KA-WHAKK
KA-BOFF


I CAN'T TAKE THIS! FULL RETREAT!
KA-POW
AW...I WANTED TO RESCUE EVERYBODY. WHY DO YOU ALWAYS HAVE TO BE THE HERO?
WOO-HOO-HOO-HOO!! FEET, DON'T STOP ME NOW!
Ahem?
Oh, FINE.
EEK. I'M FALLING. WON'T SOMEBODY HELP ME?
HA! I SAVED YOU!
FROM THE VERY PERIL YOU PUT ME IN!
I'VE GOT ALL THE BASES COVERED!


Uh...SORRY YOU LOST YOUR CAGE, I GUESS?
Ah, NO WORRIES. I'VE GOT PLENTY MORE BACK HOME.
...WHY?
FREEDOM!
WELL...NOW THAT *THAT'S* OVER, I CAN'T SAY I AGREE WITH YOUR METHODOLOGY...
...BUT IT WORKED. I'M SORRY I INSULTED YOU EARLIER.
THAT'S ALL I WANTED TO HEAR. THANKS, AMY.
I THINK I SAT ON MY TAIL FUNNY...
I THINK I'LL LEAVE THE PLANNING TO YOU IN THE FUTURE, THOUGH. ALL THIS PLOTTING AND SCHEMING GIVES ME A HEADACHE.


EXCUSE US, BUT WE'RE KIND OF STUCK HERE...
...AND OUR RIDE SEEMS TO HAVE FLED INTO THE OCEAN.
TAILS COULD FLY THEM HOME. OR I COULD JUST RUN THEM OVER.
THERE'S A SECRET PORTAL UNDER MY COUCH THAT'LL SEND THEM ANYWHERE THAT BEGINS WITH A "Q"!
NAH, I'VE GOT THIS ONE.
KA-GRAB!
KA-TOSS!
KA-HEAVE!


YOU ALL RIGHT? YOU SEEMED A LITTLE OUT OF IT BACK THERE.
Uh...MAYBE? ALL I REMEMBER WAS THINKING THINGS WERE GETTING SLOW... AND THEN NOTHIN'...
I GUESS SUB-SONIC SPEED JUST DOES NOT COMPUTE FOR THIS HEDGEHOG.
THAT'S TOO BAD! THAT MEANS YOU MISSED ME BEING AWESOME!
Oh, GIVE IT A REST ALREADY--
I DO REMEMBER YOU GETTING US LOCKED UP!
AND FREED YOU! ALL IN ONE DAY! BECAUSE I AM--AND I QUOTE ME--"AWESOME!"
AAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAHHHHHH!
NONONONONO! IT'S NOT HERE! IT'S NOT HERE!!
Uh... AMY? YOU'RE FREAKIN' US OUT. WHAT'S NOT HERE?


M-MY HAMMER!
I CAN'T FIND MY HAMMER!
IT'S NOT IN HERE!
HEY!
NNNNOPE-- NOT SEEING IT.

AW, SNAP!

AMY'S SIGNATURE SLAMMER HAS ***VANISHED!***
WILL THE SEPARATION BE TOO MUCH FOR HER TO BEAR?
WILL BAD GUYS -- AND POSSIBLY NAILS -- REMAIN
UN-HAMMERED?!

CAN YOU THINK OF ANY BETTER HAMMER PUNS THAN THIS??

WELL, *CAN YOU??!*

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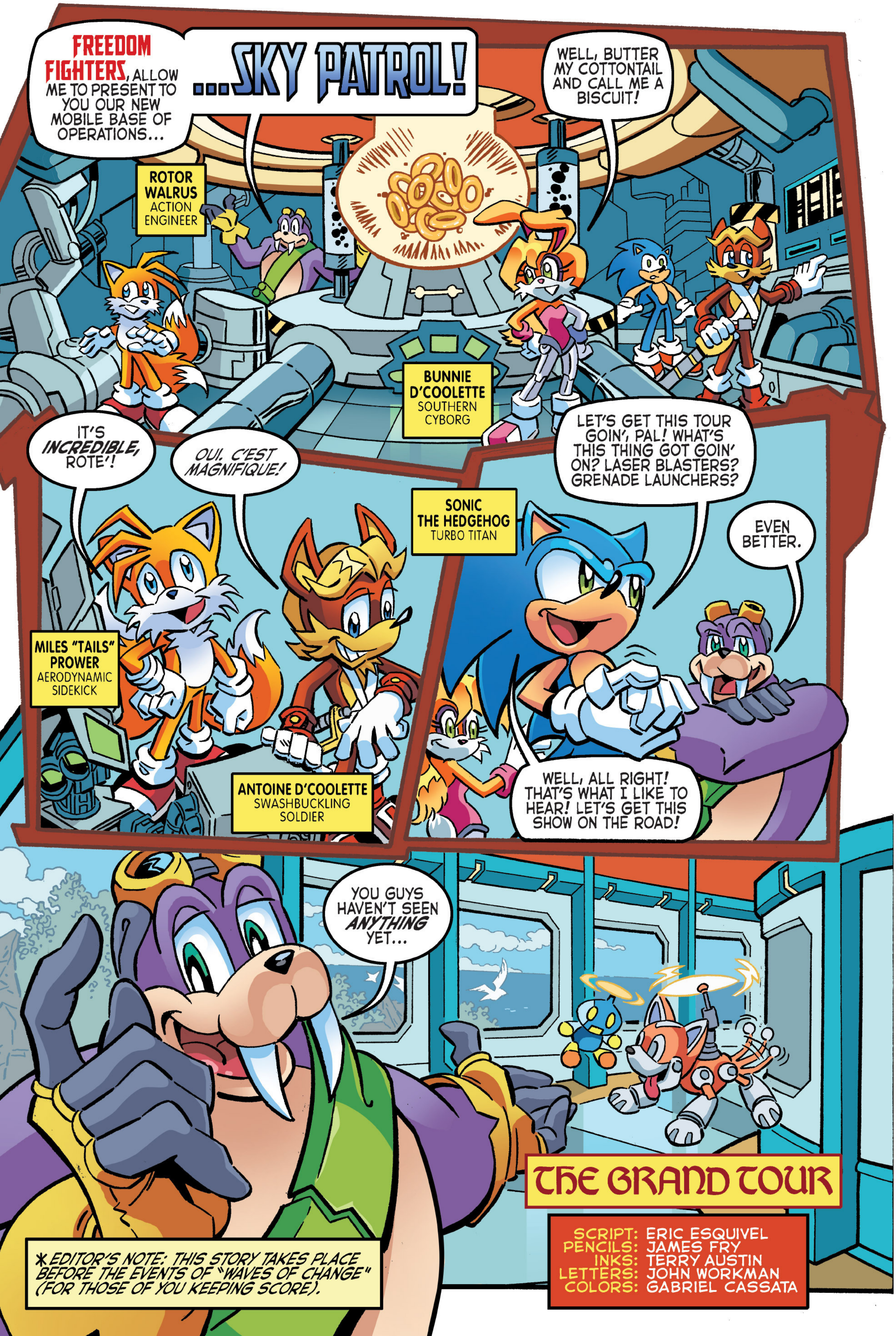
FREEDOM FIGHTERS, ALLOW ME TO PRESENT TO YOU OUR NEW MOBILE BASE OF OPERATIONS...
...SKY PATROL!
WELL, BUTTER MY COTTONTAIL AND CALL ME A BISCUIT!
ROTOR WALRUS ACTION ENGINEER
BUNNIE D'COOLETTE SOUTHERN CYBORG
IT'S *INCREDIBLE,* ROTE'!
OUI, C'EST MAGNIFIQUE!
LET'S GET THIS TOUR GOIN', PAL! WHAT'S THIS THING GOT GOIN' ON? LASER BLASTERS? GRENADE LAUNCHERS?
SONIC THE HEDGEHOG TURBO TITAN
EVEN BETTER.
MILES "TAILS" PROWER AERODYNAMIC SIDEKICK
ANTOINE D'COOLETTE SWASHBUCKLING SOLDIER
WELL, ALL RIGHT! THAT'S WHAT I LIKE TO HEAR! LET'S GET THIS SHOW ON THE ROAD!
YOU GUYS HAVEN'T SEEN *ANYTHING* YET...
EDITOR'S NOTE: THIS STORY TAKES PLACE BEFORE THE EVENTS OF "WAVES OF CHANGE" (FOR THOSE OF YOU KEEPING SCORE).

THE GRAND TOUR

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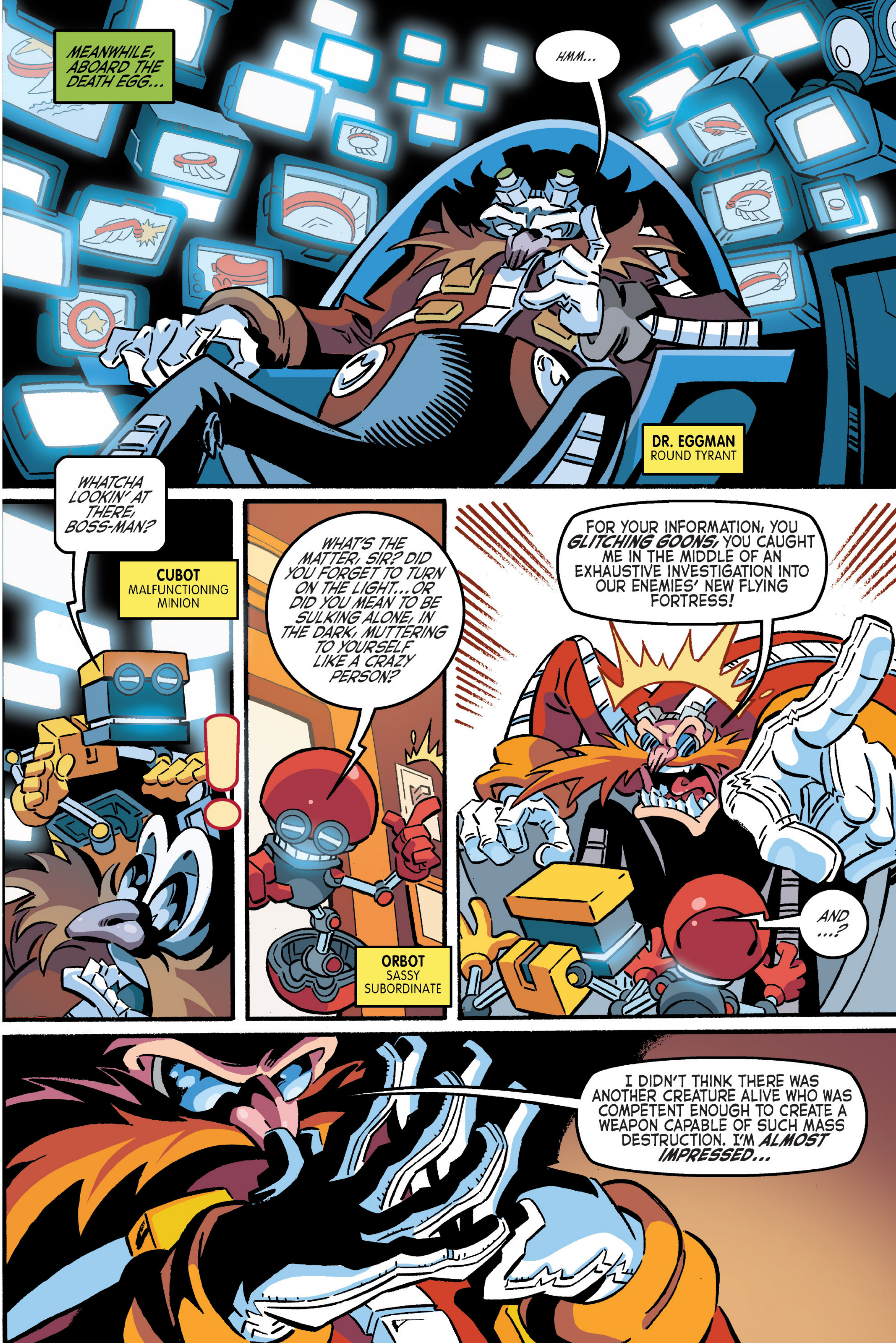
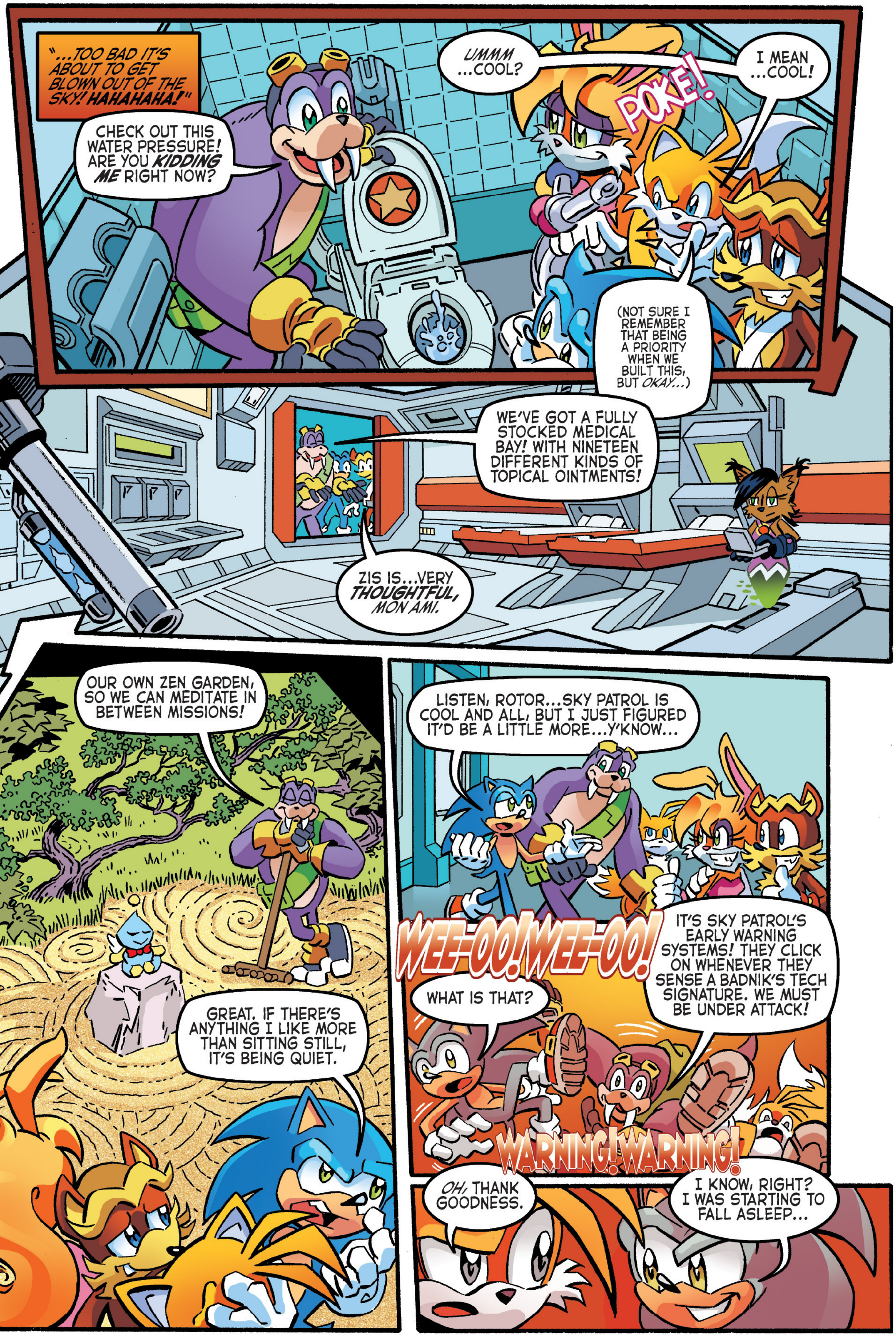
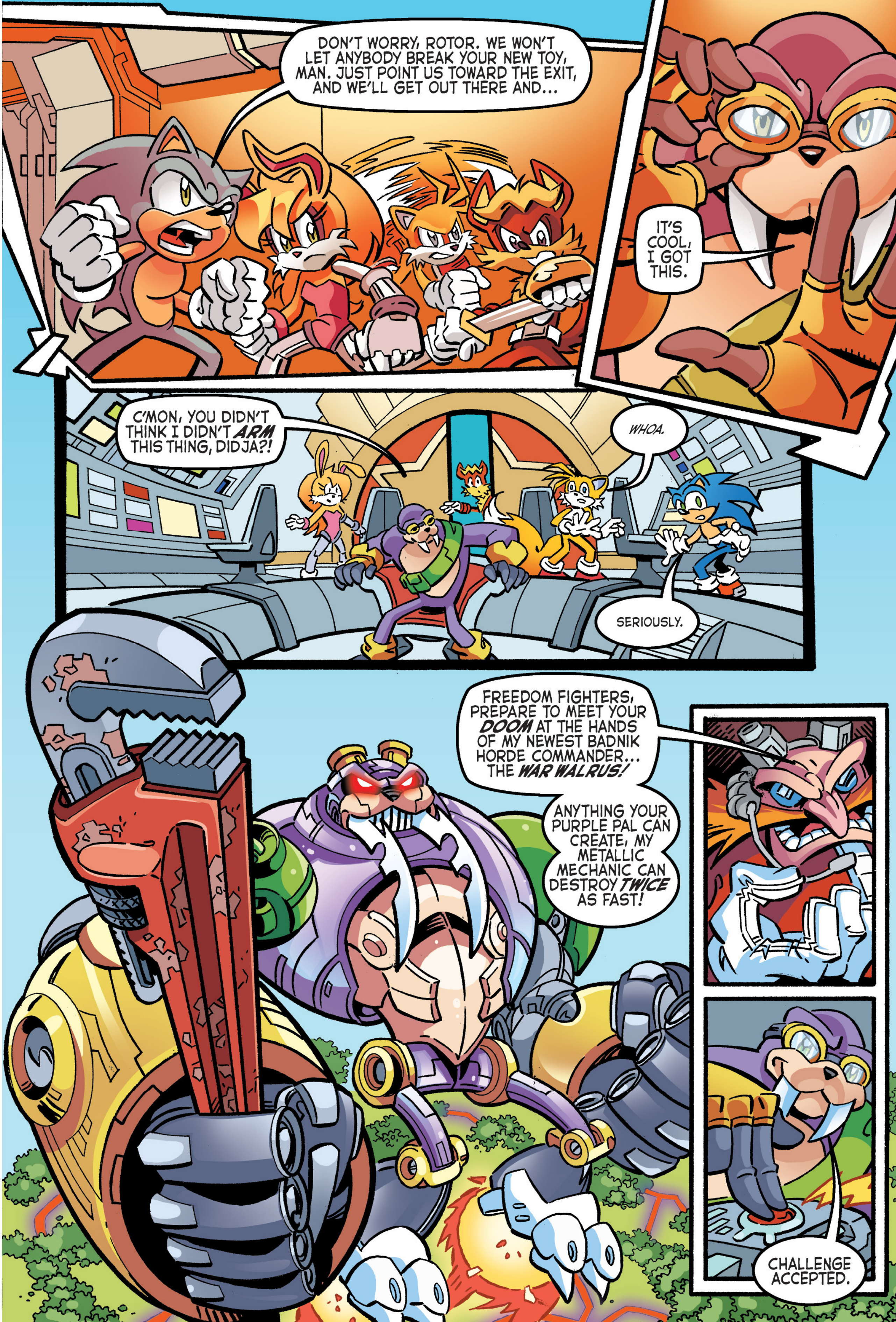
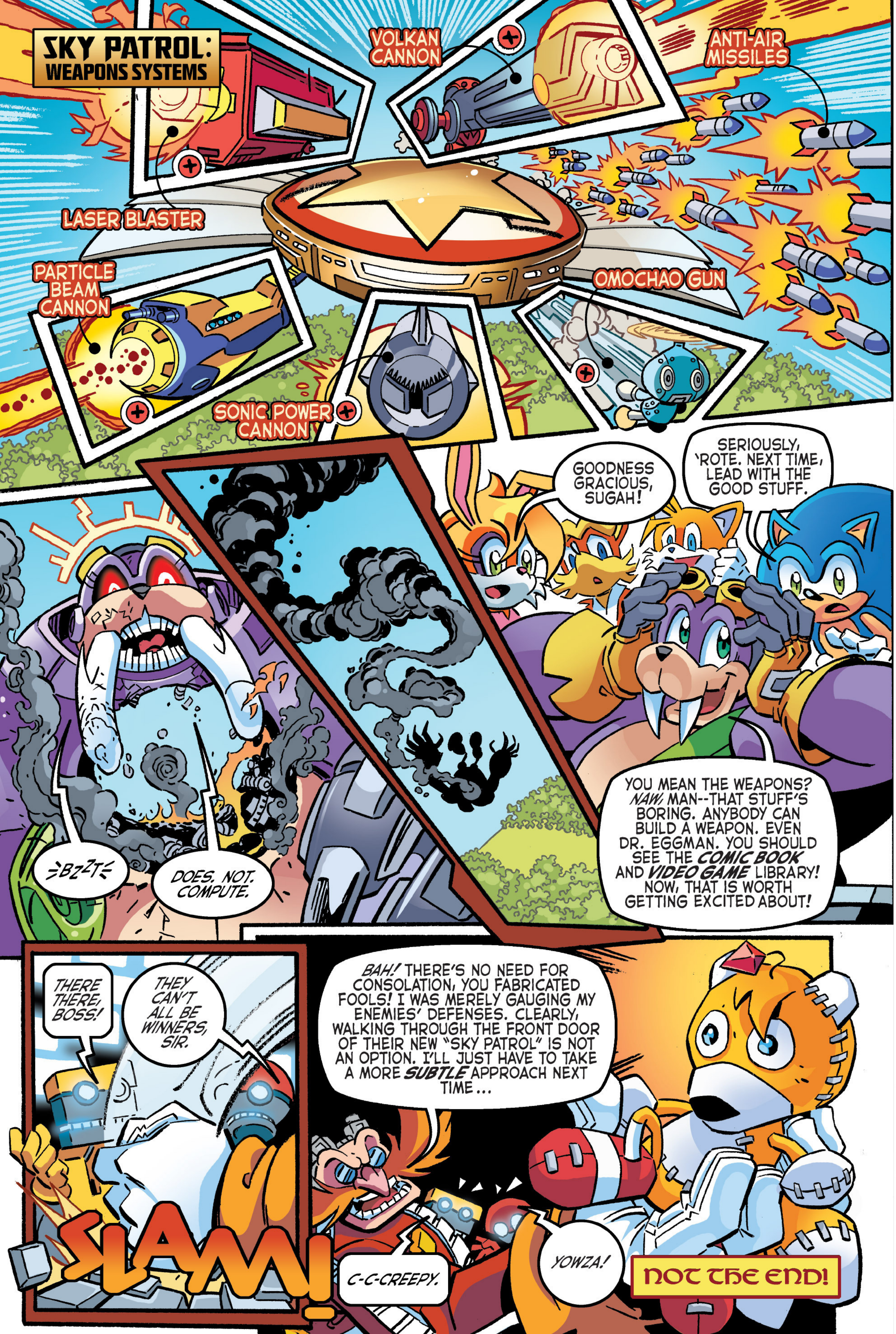

MEANWHILE, ABOARD THE DEATH EGG...
HMM...
DR. EGGMAN ROUND TYRANT
WHATCHA LOOKIN' AT THERE, BOSS-MAN?
CUBOT MALFUNCTIONING MINION
!
WHAT'S THE MATTER, SIR? DID YOU FORGET TO TURN ON THE LIGHT...OR DID YOU MEAN TO BE SULKING ALONE, IN THE DARK, MUTTERING TO YOURSELF LIKE A CRAZY PERSON?
ORBOT SASSY SUBORDINATE
FOR YOUR INFORMATION, YOU ***GLITCHING GOONS,*** YOU CAUGHT ME IN THE MIDDLE OF AN EXHAUSTIVE INVESTIGATION INTO OUR ENEMIES' NEW FLYING FORTRESS!
AND ...?
I DIDN'T THINK THERE WAS ANOTHER CREATURE ALIVE WHO WAS COMPETENT ENOUGH TO CREATE A WEAPON CAPABLE OF SUCH MASS DESTRUCTION. I'M ***ALMOST IMPRESSED...***


"...TOO BAD IT'S ABOUT TO GET BLOWN OUT OF THE SKY! HAHAHAHA!"
CHECK OUT THIS WATER PRESSURE! ARE YOU KIDDING ME RIGHT NOW?
UMMM ...COOL?
POKE!
I MEAN ...COOL!
(NOT SURE I REMEMBER THAT BEING A PRIORITY WHEN WE BUILT THIS, BUT OKAY...)
WE'VE GOT A FULLY STOCKED MEDICAL BAY! WITH NINETEEN DIFFERENT KINDS OF TOPICAL OINTMENTS!
ZIS IS...VERY THOUGHTFUL, MON AMI.
OUR OWN ZEN GARDEN, SO WE CAN MEDITATE IN BETWEEN MISSIONS!
GREAT. IF THERE'S ANYTHING I LIKE MORE THAN SITTING STILL, IT'S BEING QUIET.
LISTEN, ROTOR...SKY PATROL IS COOL AND ALL, BUT I JUST FIGURED IT'D BE A LITTLE MORE...Y'KNOW...
WEE-OO! WEE-OO!
WHAT IS THAT?
IT'S SKY PATROL'S EARLY WARNING SYSTEMS! THEY CLICK ON WHENEVER THEY SENSE A BADNIK'S TECH SIGNATURE. WE MUST BE UNDER ATTACK!
WARNING! WARNING!
OH, THANK GOODNESS.
I KNOW, RIGHT? I WAS STARTING TO FALL ASLEEP...


DON'T WORRY, ROTOR. WE WON'T LET ANYBODY BREAK YOUR NEW TOY, MAN. JUST POINT US TOWARD THE EXIT, AND WE'LL GET OUT THERE AND...
IT'S COOL, I GOT THIS.
C'MON, YOU DIDN'T THINK I DIDN'T *ARM* THIS THING, DIDJA?!
WHOA.
SERIOUSLY.
FREEDOM FIGHTERS, PREPARE TO MEET YOUR ***DOOM*** AT THE HANDS OF MY NEWEST BADNIK HORDE COMMANDER... THE ***WAR WALRUS!***
ANYTHING YOUR PURPLE PAL CAN CREATE, MY METALLIC MECHANIC CAN DESTROY ***TWICE*** AS FAST!
CHALLENGE ACCEPTED.


SKY PATROL: WEAPONS SYSTEMS
VOLKAN CANNON
ANTI-AIR MISSILES
LASER BLASTER
PARTICLE BEAM CANNON
OMOCHAO GUN
SONIC POWER CANNON
GOODNESS GRACIOUS, SUGAH!
SERIOUSLY, 'ROTE. NEXT TIME, LEAD WITH THE GOOD STUFF.
YOU MEAN THE WEAPONS? *NAW,* MAN--THAT STUFF'S BORING. ANYBODY CAN BUILD A WEAPON. EVEN DR. EGGMAN. YOU SHOULD SEE THE ***COMIC BOOK*** AND ***VIDEO GAME*** LIBRARY! NOW, THAT IS WORTH GETTING EXCITED ABOUT!
BZZT
DOES. NOT. COMPUTE.
THERE THERE, BOSS!
THEY CAN'T ALL BE WINNERS, SIR.
BAH! THERE'S NO NEED FOR CONSOLATION, YOU FABRICATED FOOLS! I WAS MERELY GAUGING MY ENEMIES' DEFENSES. CLEARLY, WALKING THROUGH THE FRONT DOOR OF THEIR NEW "SKY PATROL" IS NOT AN OPTION. I'LL JUST HAVE TO TAKE A MORE ***SUBTLE*** APPROACH NEXT TIME...
SLAM!
C-C-CREEPY.
YOWZA!
NOT THE END!

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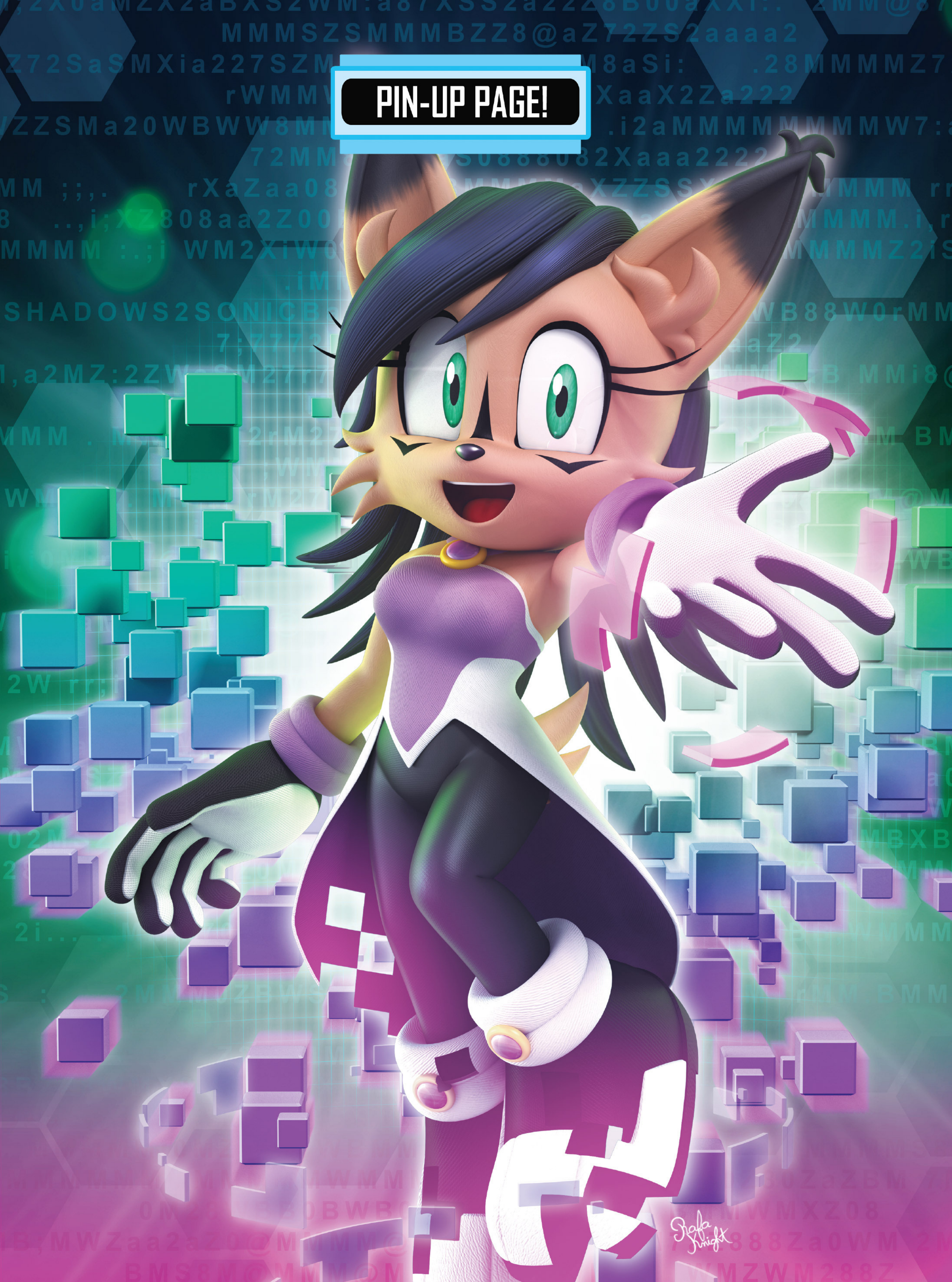
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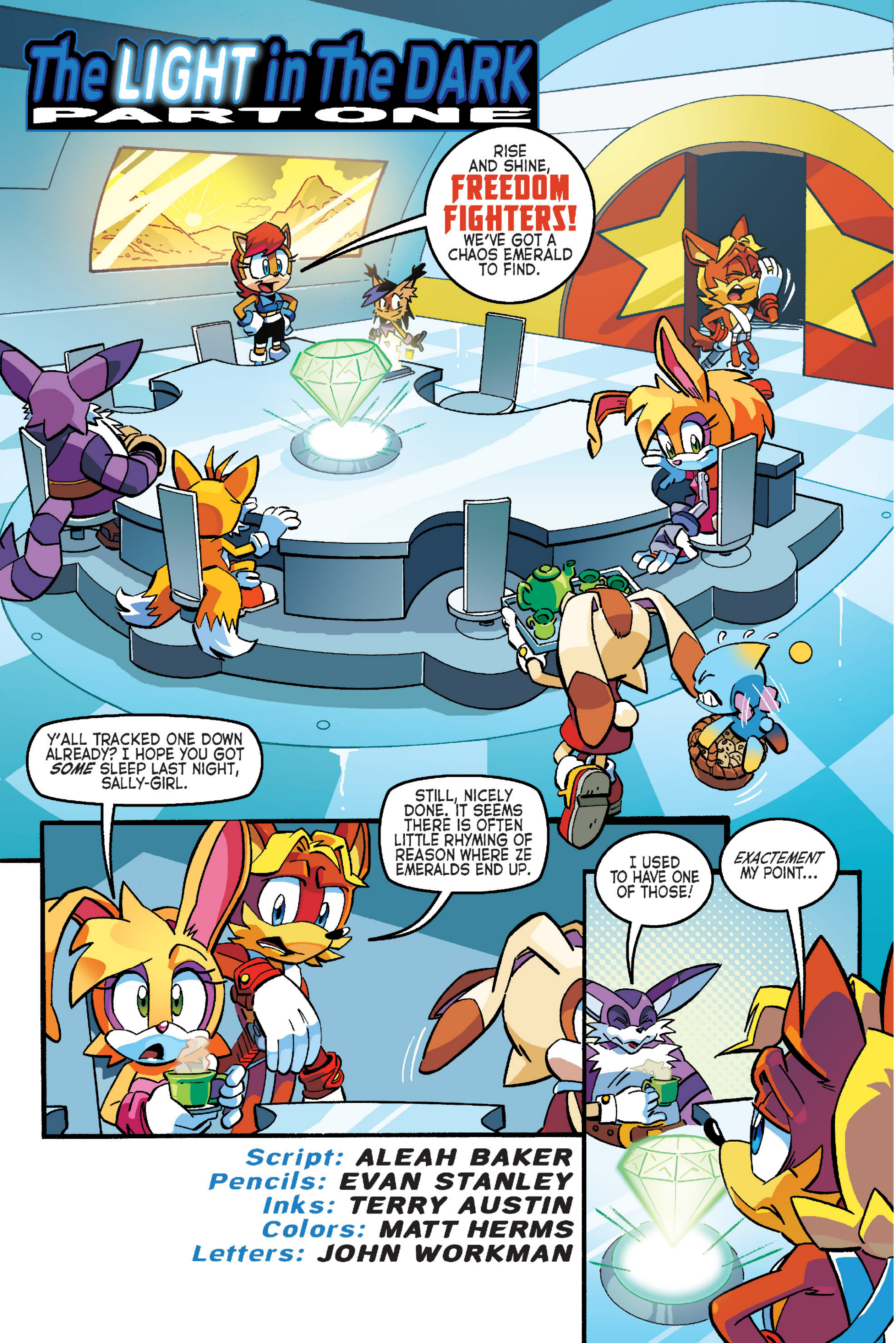
PART ONE


RISE AND SHINE, FREEDOM FIGHTERS! WE'VE GOT A CHAOS EMERALD TO FIND.
Y'ALL TRACKED ONE DOWN ALREADY? I HOPE YOU GOT *SOME* SLEEP LAST NIGHT, SALLY-GIRL.
STILL, NICELY DONE. IT SEEMS THERE IS OFTEN LITTLE RHYMING OF REASON WHERE ZE EMERALDS END UP.
I USED TO HAVE ONE OF THOSE!
EXACTEMENT MY POINT...

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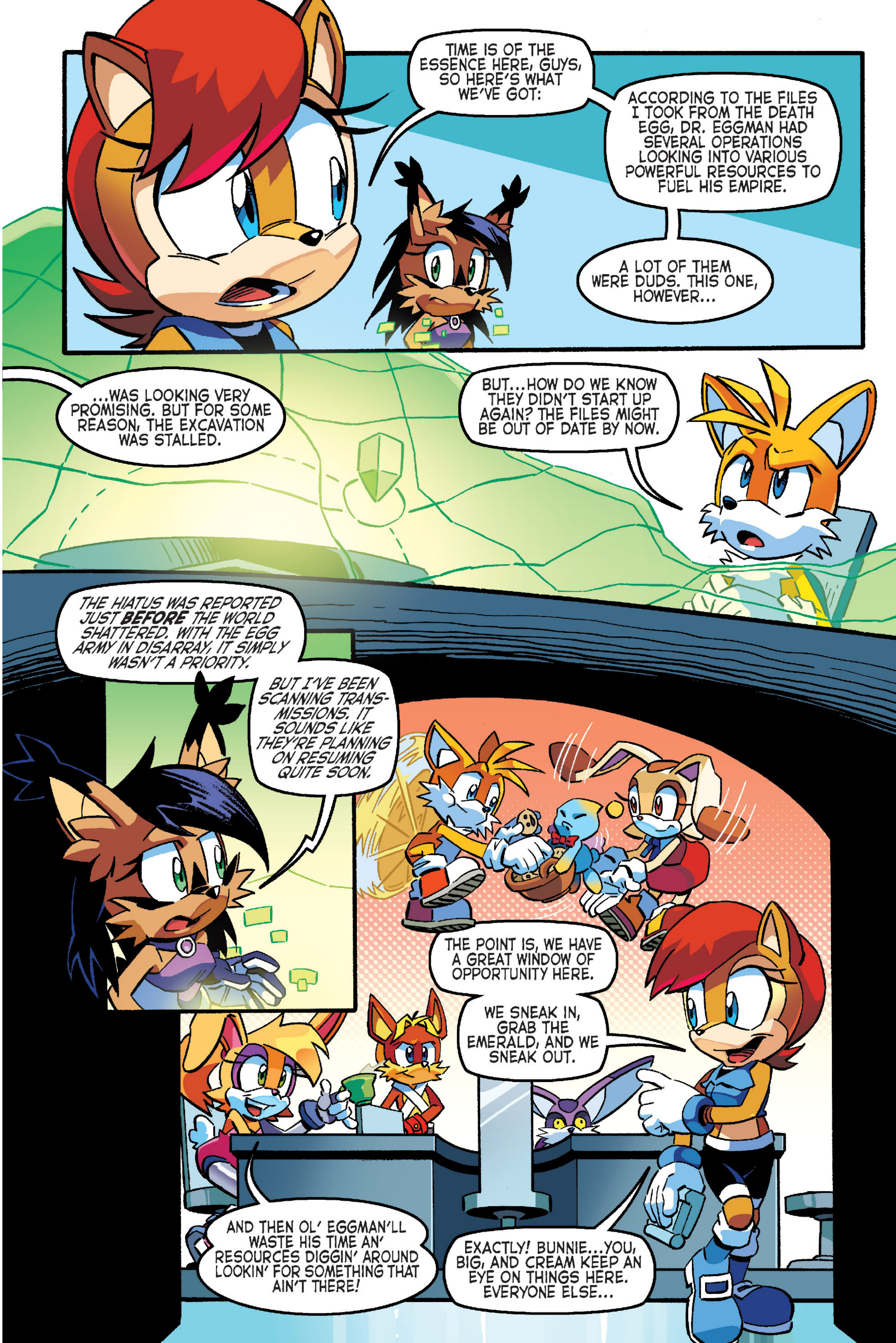
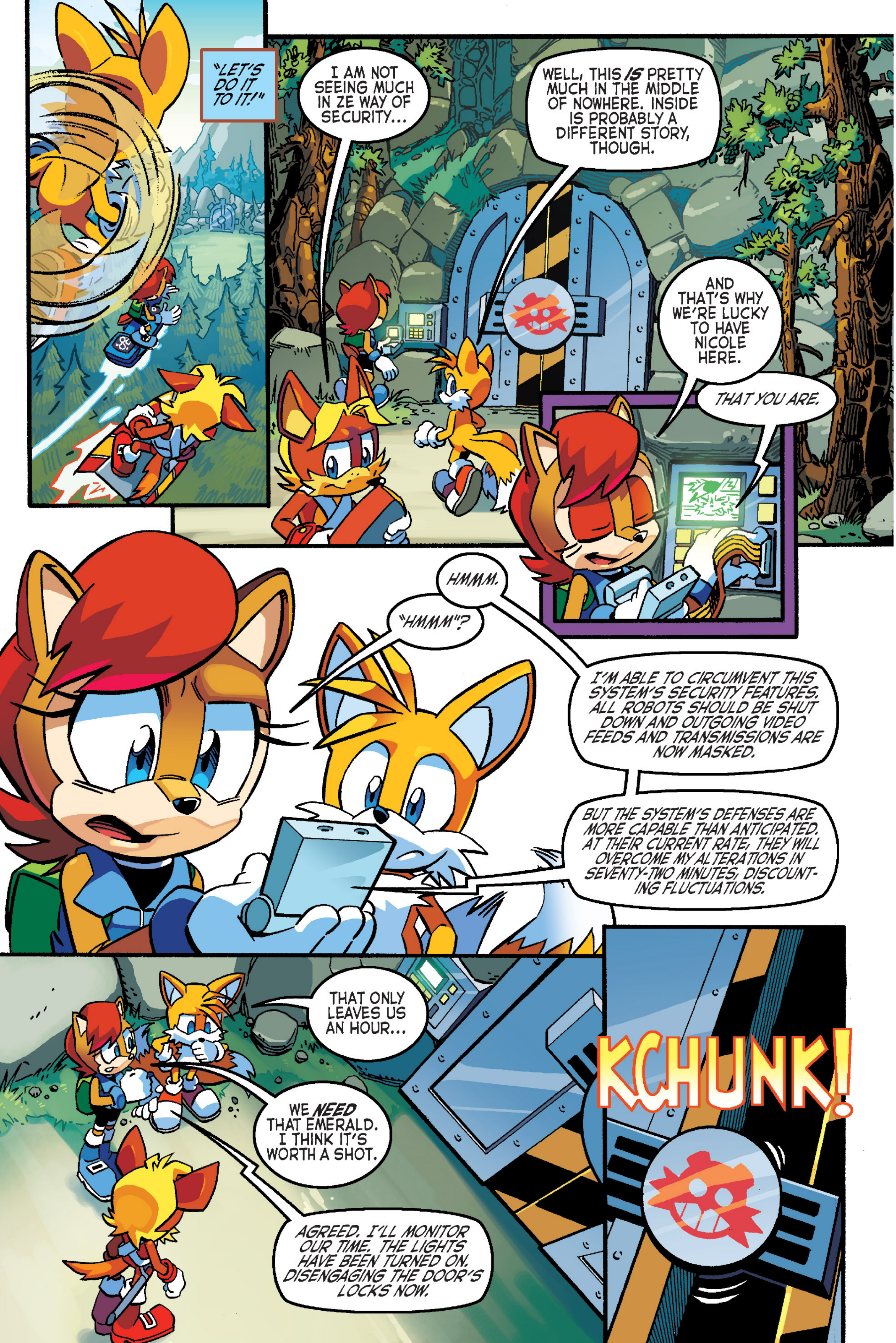
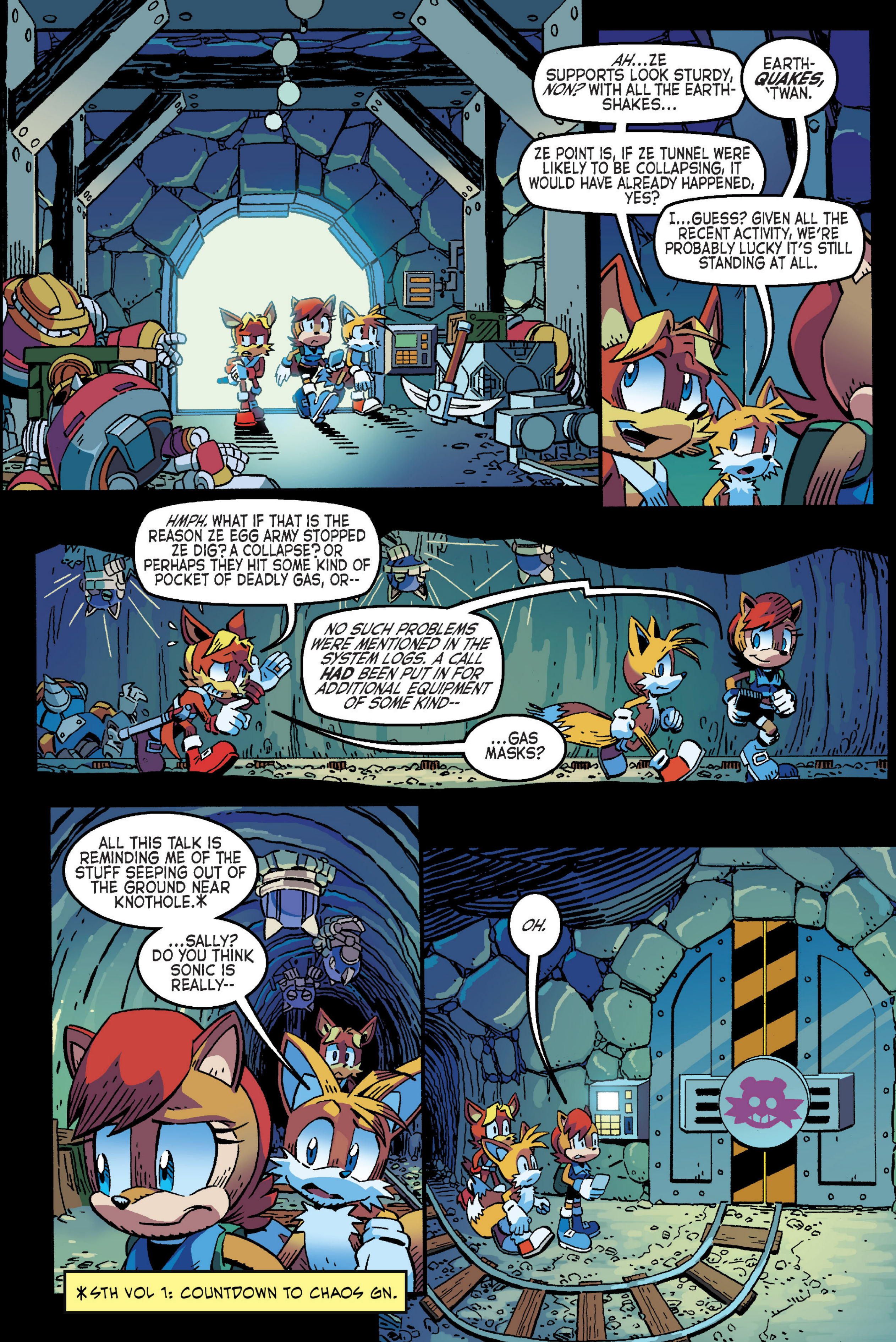
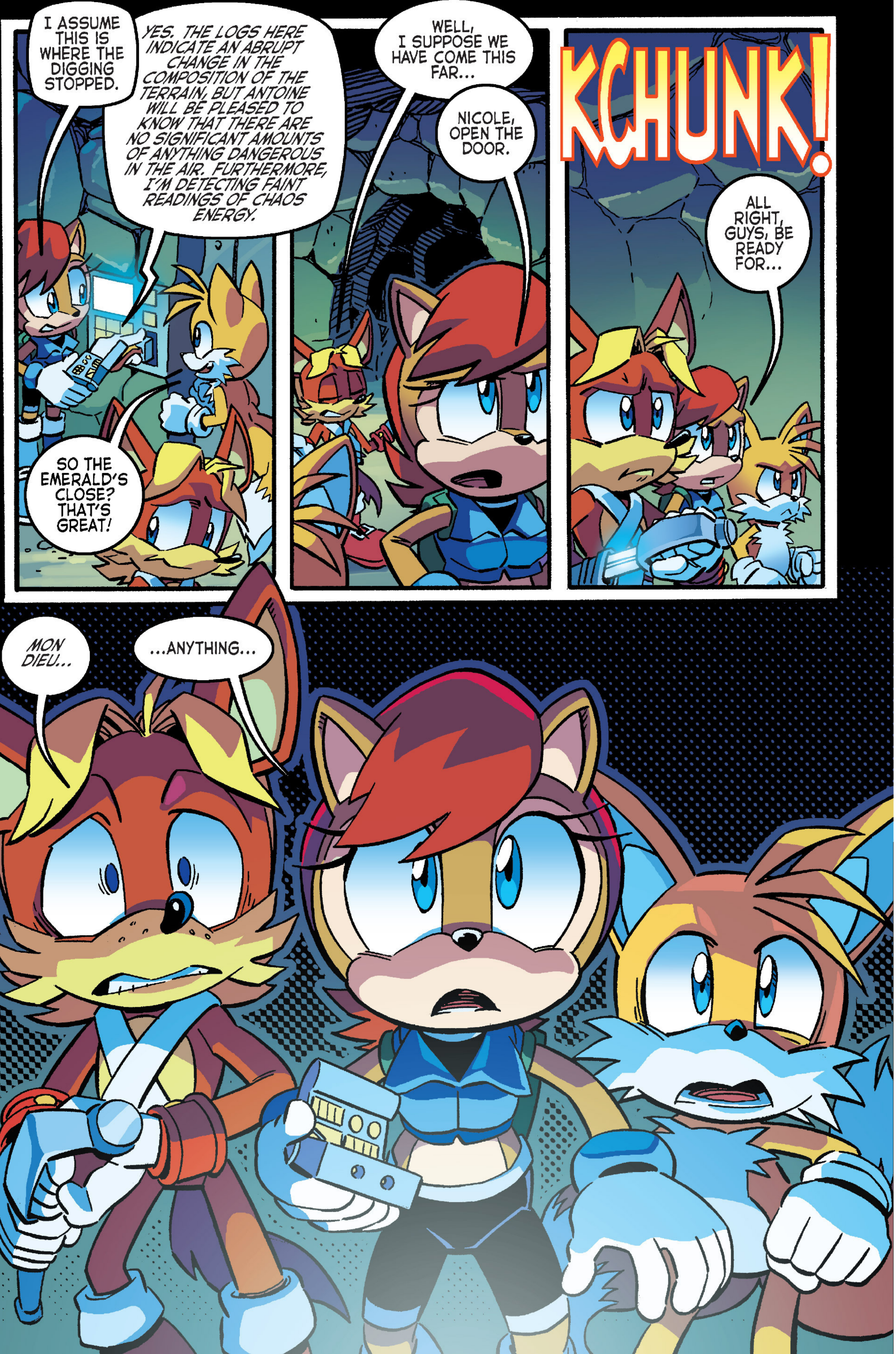

TIME IS OF THE ESSENCE HERE, GUYS, SO HERE'S WHAT WE'VE GOT:
ACCORDING TO THE FILES I TOOK FROM THE DEATH EGG, DR. EGGMAN HAD SEVERAL OPERATIONS LOOKING INTO VARIOUS POWERFUL RESOURCES TO FUEL HIS EMPIRE.
A LOT OF THEM WERE DUDS. THIS ONE, HOWEVER...
...WAS LOOKING VERY PROMISING. BUT FOR SOME REASON, THE EXCAVATION WAS STALLED.
BUT...HOW DO WE KNOW THEY DIDN'T START UP AGAIN? THE FILES MIGHT BE OUT OF DATE BY NOW.
THE HIATUS WAS REPORTED JUST **BEFORE** THE WORLD SHATTERED. WITH THE EGG ARMY IN DISARRAY, IT SIMPLY WASN'T A PRIORITY.
BUT I'VE BEEN SCANNING TRANSMISSIONS. IT SOUNDS LIKE THEY'RE PLANNING ON RESUMING QUITE SOON.
THE POINT IS, WE HAVE A GREAT WINDOW OF OPPORTUNITY HERE.
WE SNEAK IN, GRAB THE EMERALD, AND WE SNEAK OUT.
AND THEN OL' EGGMAN'LL WASTE HIS TIME AN' RESOURCES DIGGIN' AROUND LOOKIN' FOR SOMETHING THAT AIN'T THERE!
EXACTLY! BUNNIE...YOU, BIG, AND CREAM KEEP AN EYE ON THINGS HERE. EVERYONE ELSE...


"LET'S DO IT TO IT!"
I AM NOT SEEING MUCH IN ZE WAY OF SECURITY...
WELL, THIS *IS* PRETTY MUCH IN THE MIDDLE OF NOWHERE. INSIDE IS PROBABLY A DIFFERENT STORY, THOUGH.
AND THAT'S WHY WE'RE LUCKY TO HAVE NICOLE HERE.
THAT YOU ARE.
HMMM.
"HMMM"?
I'M ABLE TO CIRCUMVENT THIS SYSTEM'S SECURITY FEATURES. ALL ROBOTS SHOULD BE SHUT DOWN AND OUTGOING VIDEO FEEDS AND TRANSMISSIONS ARE NOW MASKED.
BUT THE SYSTEM'S DEFENSES ARE MORE CAPABLE THAN ANTICIPATED. AT THEIR CURRENT RATE, THEY WILL OVERCOME MY ALTERATIONS IN SEVENTY-TWO MINUTES, DISCOUNTING FLUCTUATIONS.
THAT ONLY LEAVES US AN HOUR...
WE *NEED* THAT EMERALD. I THINK IT'S WORTH A SHOT.
AGREED. I'LL MONITOR OUR TIME. THE LIGHTS HAVE BEEN TURNED ON. DISENGAGING THE DOOR'S LOCKS NOW.
KCHUNK!


AH... ZE SUPPORTS LOOK STURDY, *NON?* WITH ALL THE EARTH-SHAKES...
EARTH-***QUAKES,*** 'TWAN.
ZE POINT IS, IF ZE TUNNEL WERE LIKELY TO BE COLLAPSING, IT WOULD HAVE ALREADY HAPPENED, YES?
I...GUESS? GIVEN ALL THE RECENT ACTIVITY, WE'RE PROBABLY LUCKY IT'S STILL STANDING AT ALL.
HMPH. WHAT IF THAT IS THE REASON ZE EGG ARMY STOPPED ZE DIG? A COLLAPSE? OR PERHAPS THEY HIT SOME KIND OF POCKET OF DEADLY GAS, OR--
NO SUCH PROBLEMS WERE MENTIONED IN THE SYSTEM LOGS. A CALL ***HAD*** *BEEN PUT IN FOR ADDITIONAL EQUIPMENT OF SOME KIND--*
...GAS MASKS?
ALL THIS TALK IS REMINDING ME OF THE STUFF SEEPING OUT OF THE GROUND NEAR KNOTHOLE.*
...SALLY? DO YOU THINK SONIC IS REALLY--
OH.
*STH VOL 1: COUNTDOWN TO CHAOS GN.


I ASSUME THIS IS WHERE THE DIGGING STOPPED.
YES. THE LOGS HERE INDICATE AN ABRUPT CHANGE IN THE COMPOSITION OF THE TERRAIN, BUT ANTOINE WILL BE PLEASED TO KNOW THAT THERE ARE NO SIGNIFICANT AMOUNTS OF ANYTHING DANGEROUS IN THE AIR. FURTHERMORE, I'M DETECTING FAINT READINGS OF CHAOS ENERGY.
SO THE EMERALD'S CLOSE? THAT'S GREAT!
WELL, I SUPPOSE WE HAVE COME THIS FAR...
NICOLE, OPEN THE DOOR.
KCHUNK!
ALL RIGHT, GUYS, BE READY FOR...
MON DIEU...
...ANYTHING...

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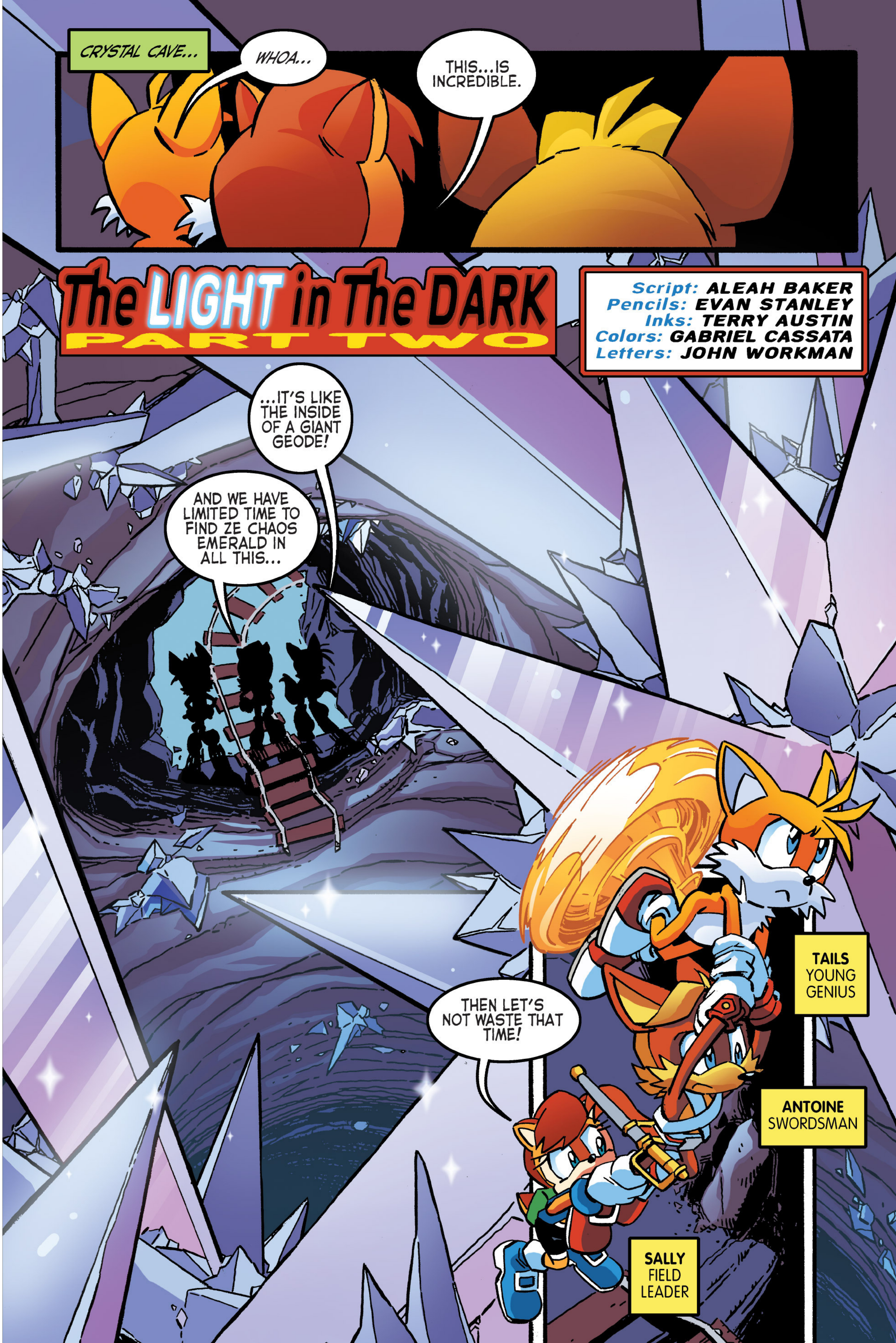
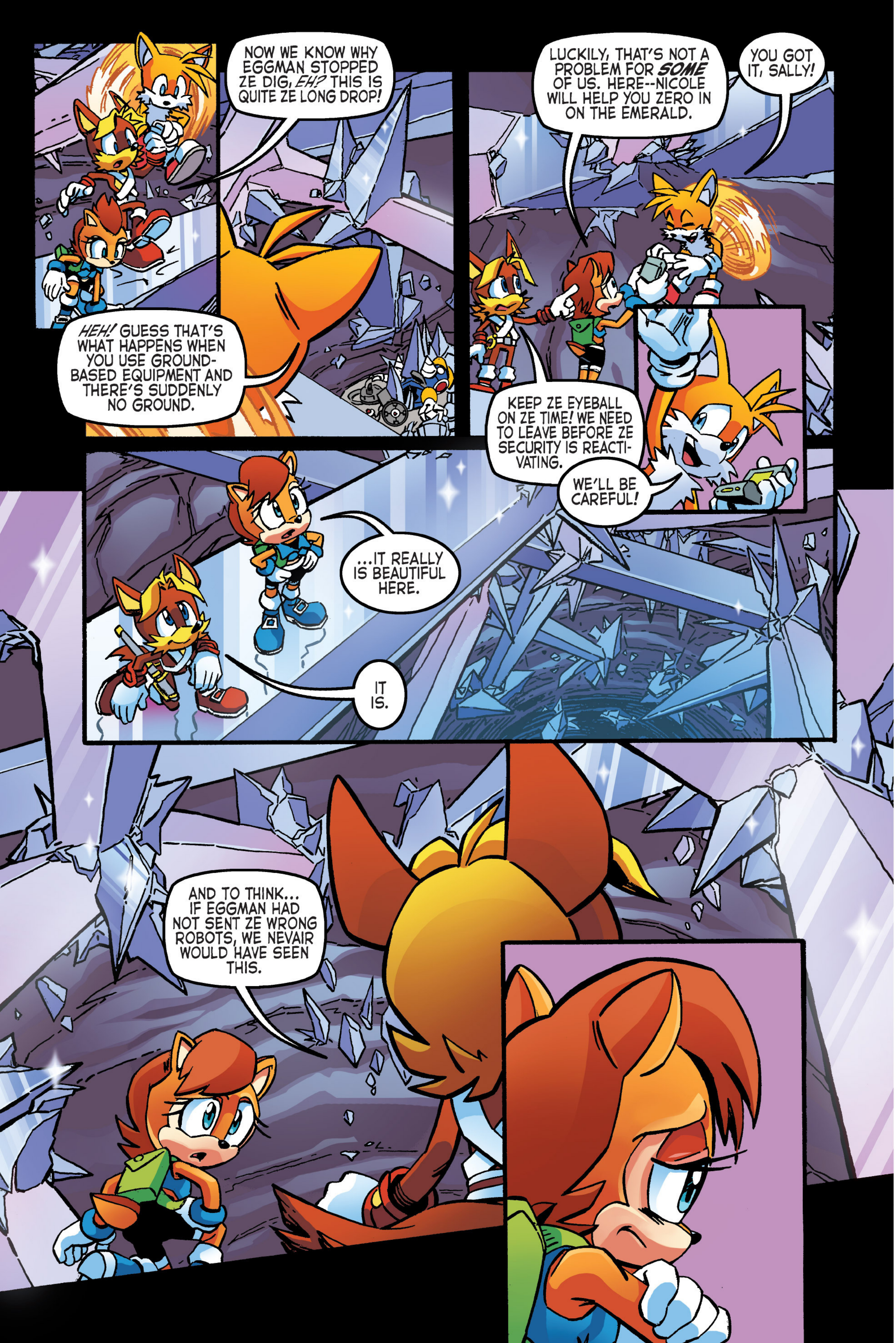
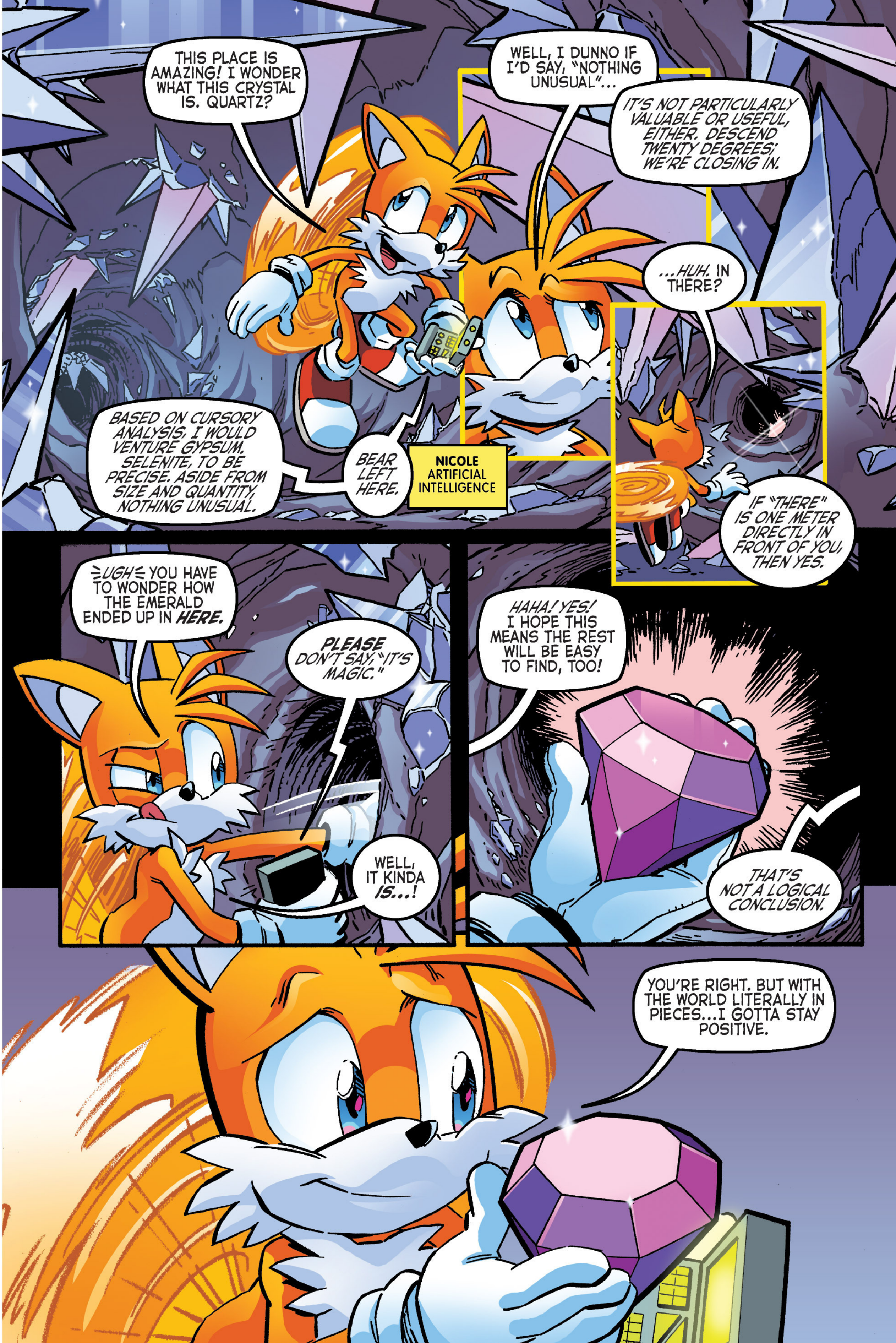
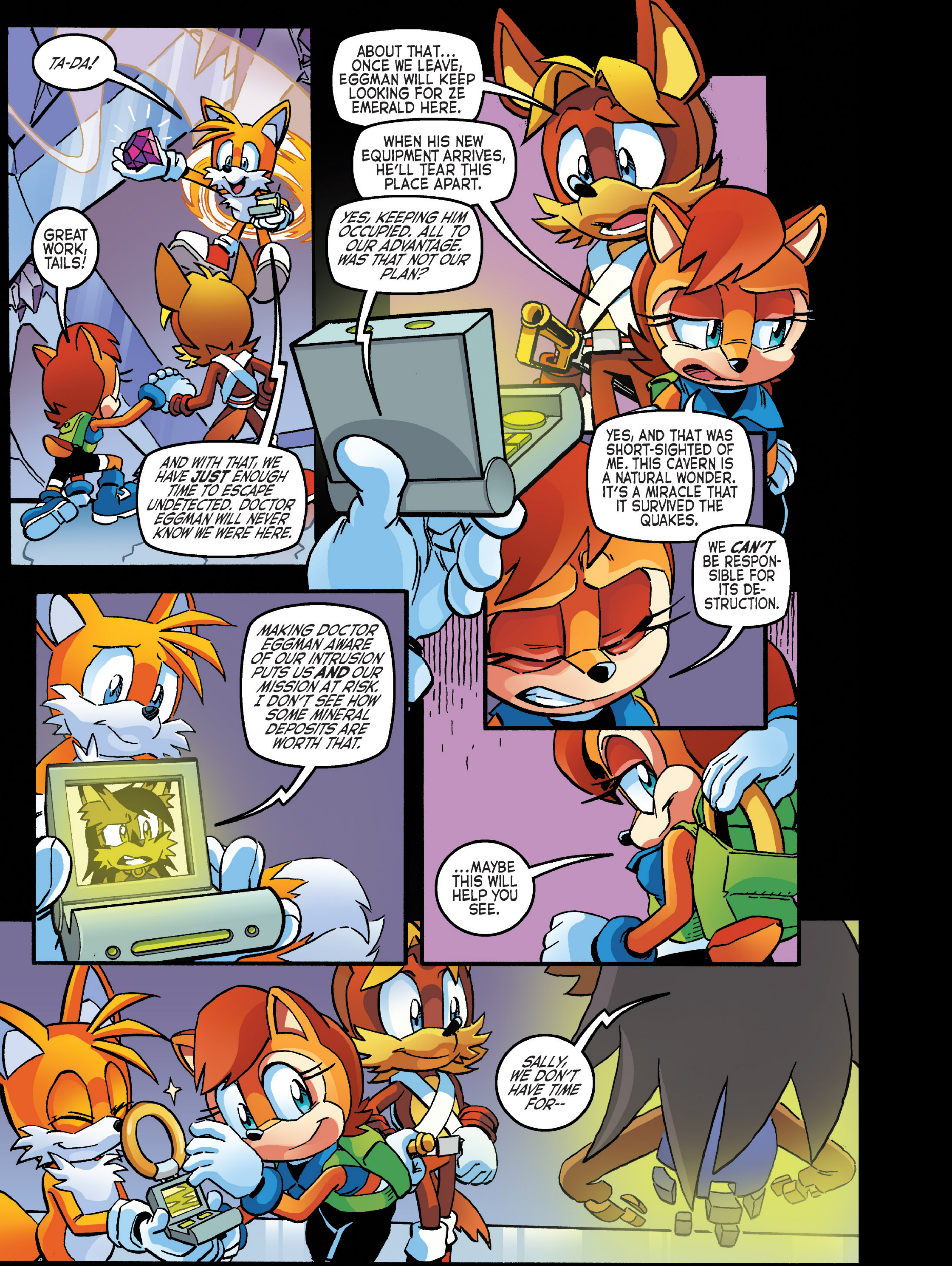
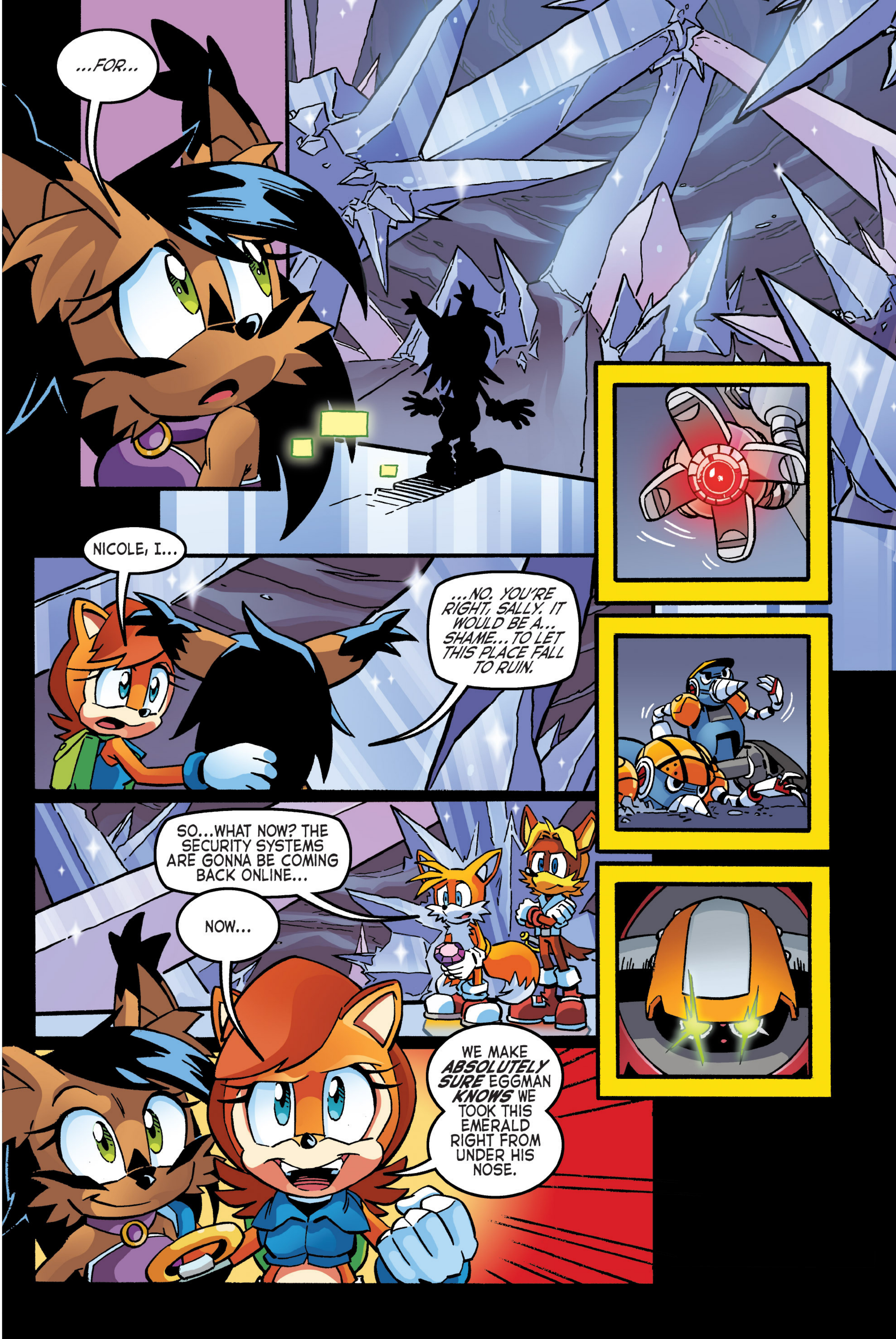

CRYSTAL CAVE...
WHOA...
THIS...IS INCREDIBLE.
...IT'S LIKE THE INSIDE OF A GIANT GEODE!
AND WE HAVE LIMITED TIME TO FIND ZE CHAOS EMERALD IN ALL THIS...
THEN LET'S NOT WASTE THAT TIME!
TAILS YOUNG GENIUS
ANTOINE SWORDSMAN
SALLY FIELD LEADER


NOW WE KNOW WHY EGGMAN STOPPED ZE DIG, *EH?* THIS IS QUITE ZE LONG DROP!
HEH! GUESS THAT'S WHAT HAPPENS WHEN YOU USE GROUND-BASED EQUIPMENT AND THERE'S SUDDENLY NO GROUND.
LUCKILY, THAT'S NOT A PROBLEM FOR ***SOME*** OF US. HERE--NICOLE WILL HELP YOU ZERO IN ON THE EMERALD.
YOU GOT IT, SALLY!
KEEP ZE EYEBALL ON ZE TIME! WE NEED TO LEAVE BEFORE ZE SECURITY IS REACTIVATING.
WE'LL BE CAREFUL!
...IT REALLY IS BEAUTIFUL HERE.
IT IS.
AND TO THINK... IF EGGMAN HAD NOT SENT ZE WRONG ROBOTS, WE NEVAIR WOULD HAVE SEEN THIS.


THIS PLACE IS AMAZING! I WONDER WHAT THIS CRYSTAL IS. QUARTZ?
BASED ON CURSORY ANALYSIS, I WOULD VENTURE GYPSUM. SELENITE, TO BE PRECISE. ASIDE FROM SIZE AND QUANTITY, NOTHING UNUSUAL.
BEAR LEFT HERE.
NICOLE ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE
WELL, I DUNNO IF I'D SAY, "NOTHING UNUSUAL"...
IT'S NOT PARTICULARLY VALUABLE OR USEFUL, EITHER. DESCEND TWENTY DEGREES; WE'RE CLOSING IN.
...HUH. IN THERE?
IF "THERE" IS ONE METER DIRECTLY IN FRONT OF YOU, THEN YES.
UGH YOU HAVE TO WONDER HOW THE EMERALD ENDED UP IN *HERE.*
PLEASE DON'T SAY, "IT'S MAGIC."
WELL, IT KINDA *IS...!*
HAHA! YES! I HOPE THIS MEANS THE REST WILL BE EASY TO FIND, TOO!
THAT'S NOT A LOGICAL CONCLUSION.
YOU'RE RIGHT. BUT WITH THE WORLD LITERALLY IN PIECES...I GOTTA STAY POSITIVE.


TA-DA!
GREAT WORK, TAILS!
AND WITH THAT, WE HAVE **JUST** ENOUGH TIME TO ESCAPE UNDETECTED. DOCTOR EGGMAN WILL NEVER KNOW WE WERE HERE.
ABOUT THAT... ONCE WE LEAVE, EGGMAN WILL KEEP LOOKING FOR ZE EMERALD HERE.
WHEN HIS NEW EQUIPMENT ARRIVES, HE'LL TEAR THIS PLACE APART.
YES, KEEPING HIM OCCUPIED. ALL TO OUR ADVANTAGE. WAS THAT NOT OUR PLAN?
YES, AND THAT WAS SHORT-SIGHTED OF ME. THIS CAVERN IS A NATURAL WONDER. IT'S A MIRACLE THAT IT SURVIVED THE QUAKES.
WE ***CAN'T*** BE RESPONSIBLE FOR ITS DESTRUCTION.
MAKING DOCTOR EGGMAN AWARE OF OUR INTRUSION PUTS US **AND** OUR MISSION AT RISK. I DON'T SEE HOW SOME MINERAL DEPOSITS ARE WORTH THAT.
...MAYBE THIS WILL HELP YOU SEE.
SALLY, WE DON'T HAVE TIME FOR--


...FOR...
NICOLE, I...
...NO. YOU'RE RIGHT, SALLY. IT WOULD BE A... SHAME...TO LET THIS PLACE FALL TO RUIN.
SO...WHAT NOW? THE SECURITY SYSTEMS ARE GONNA BE COMING BACK ONLINE...
NOW...
WE MAKE ABSOLUTELY SURE EGGMAN KNOWS WE TOOK THIS EMERALD RIGHT FROM UNDER HIS NOSE.

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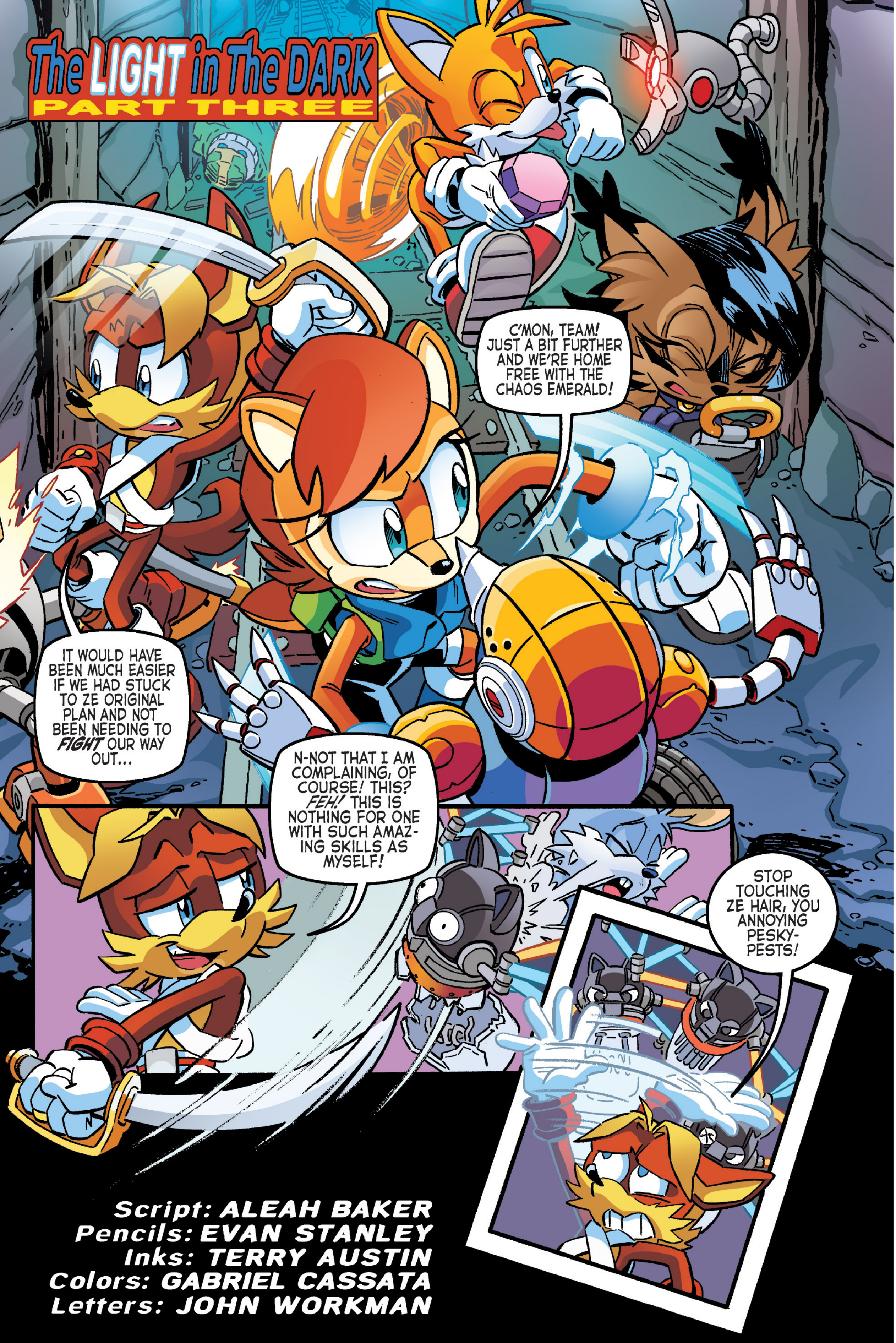
C'MON, TEAM! JUST A BIT FURTHER AND WE'RE HOME FREE WITH THE CHAOS EMERALD!
IT WOULD HAVE BEEN MUCH EASIER IF WE HAD STUCK TO ZE ORIGINAL PLAN AND NOT BEEN NEEDING TO ***FIGHT*** OUR WAY OUT...
N-NOT THAT I AM COMPLAINING, OF COURSE! THIS? *FEH!* THIS IS NOTHING FOR ONE WITH SUCH AMAZING SKILLS AS MYSELF!
STOP TOUCHING ZE HAIR, YOU ANNOYING PESKY-PESTS!

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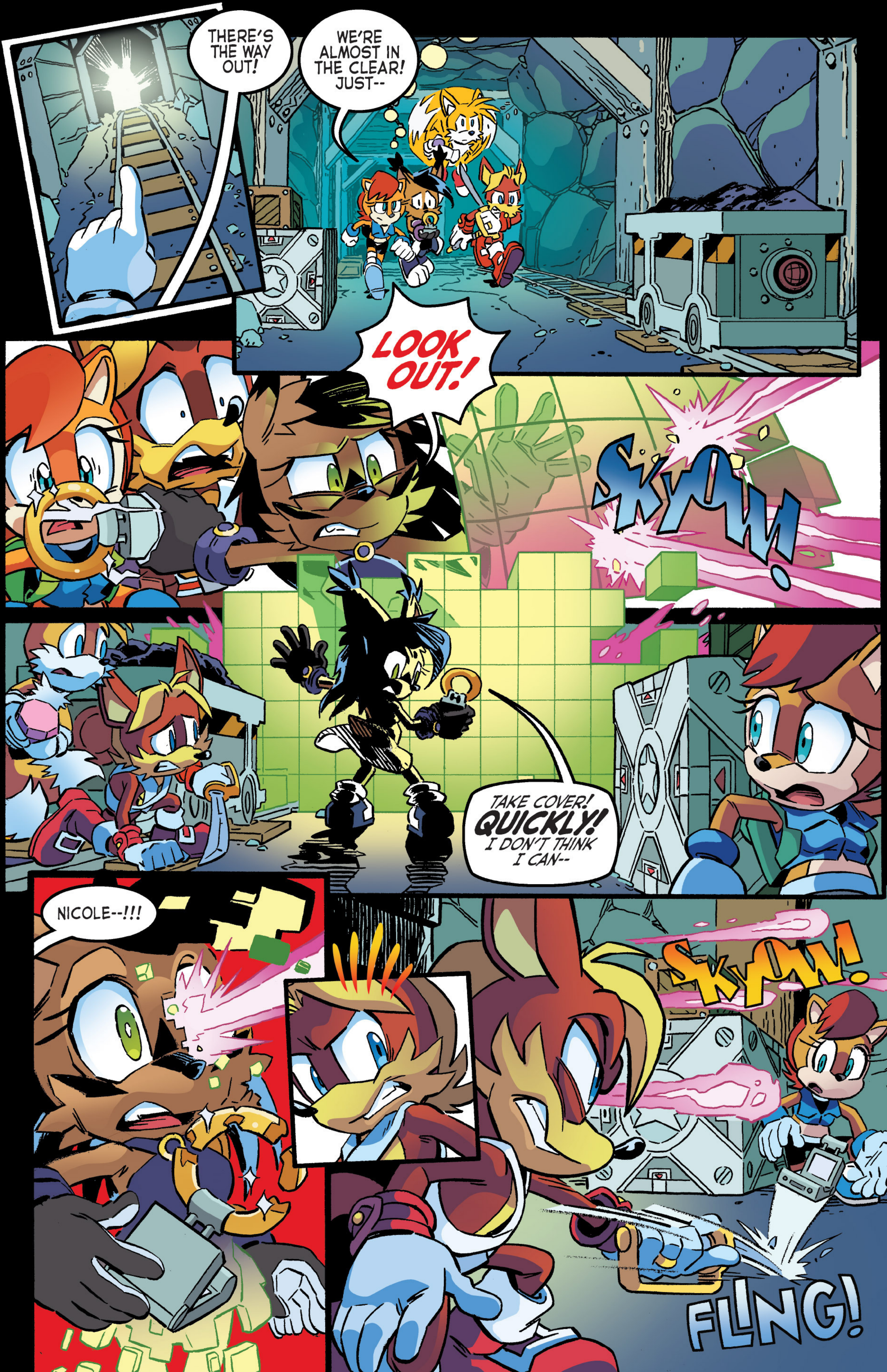
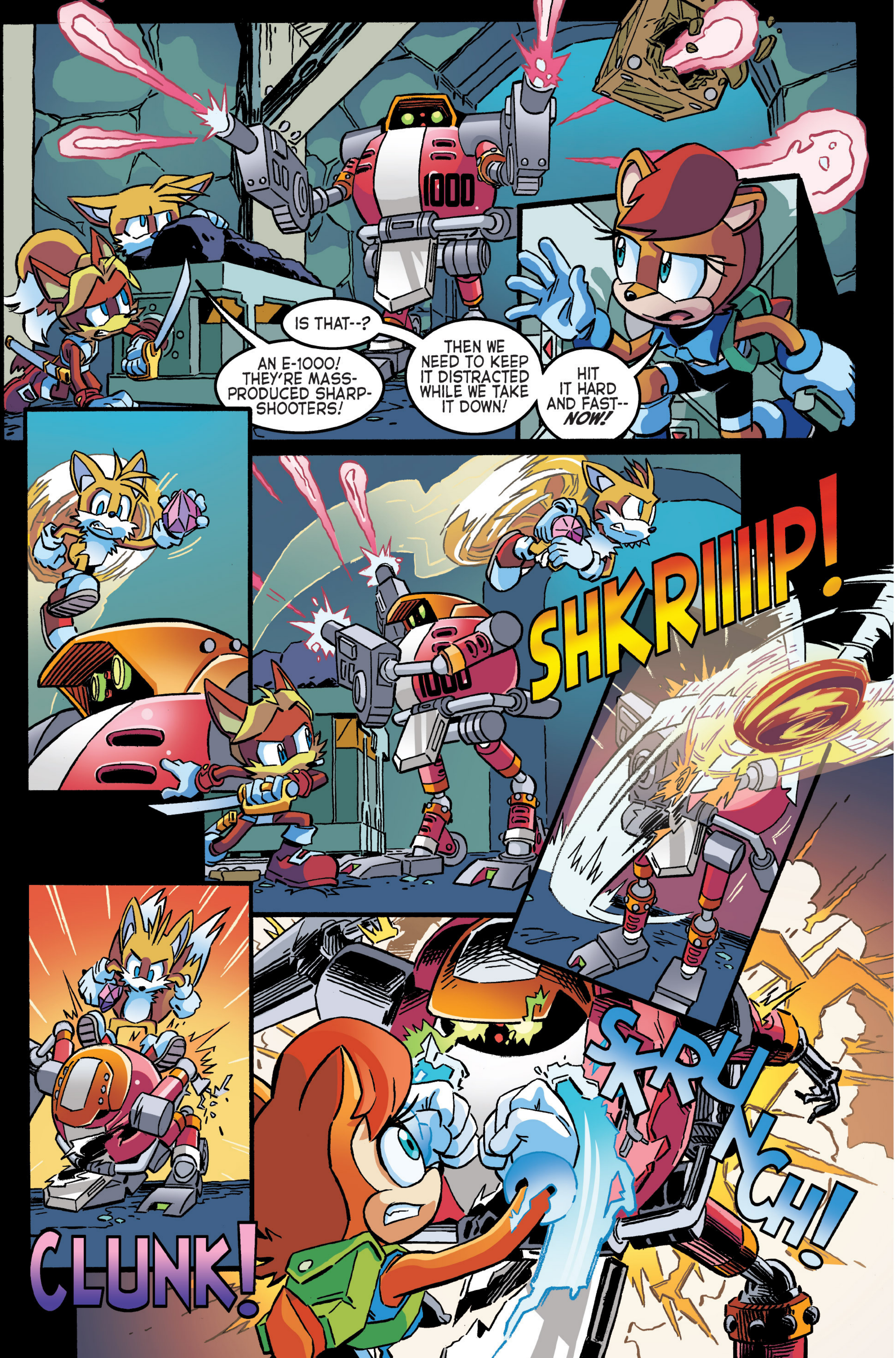
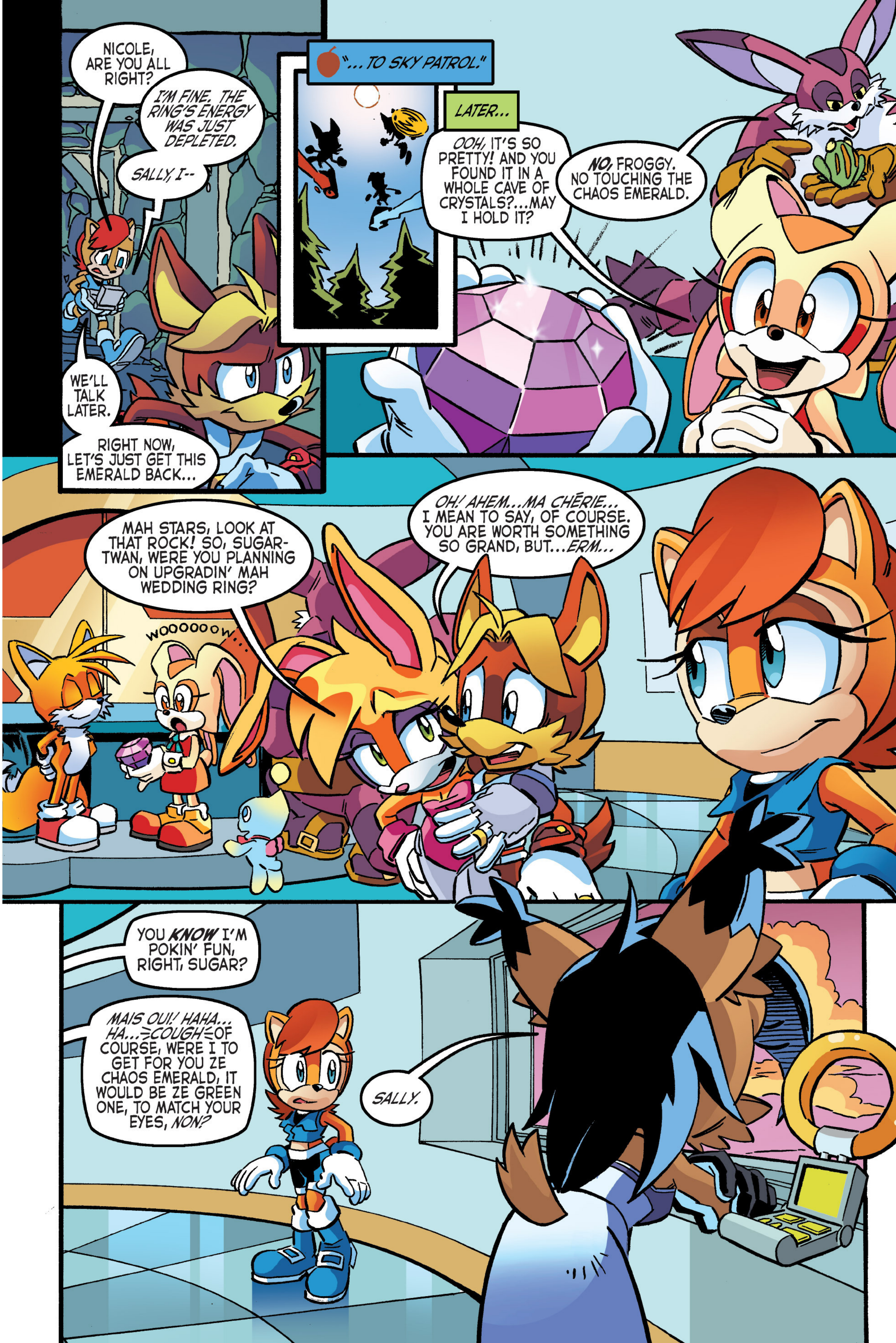
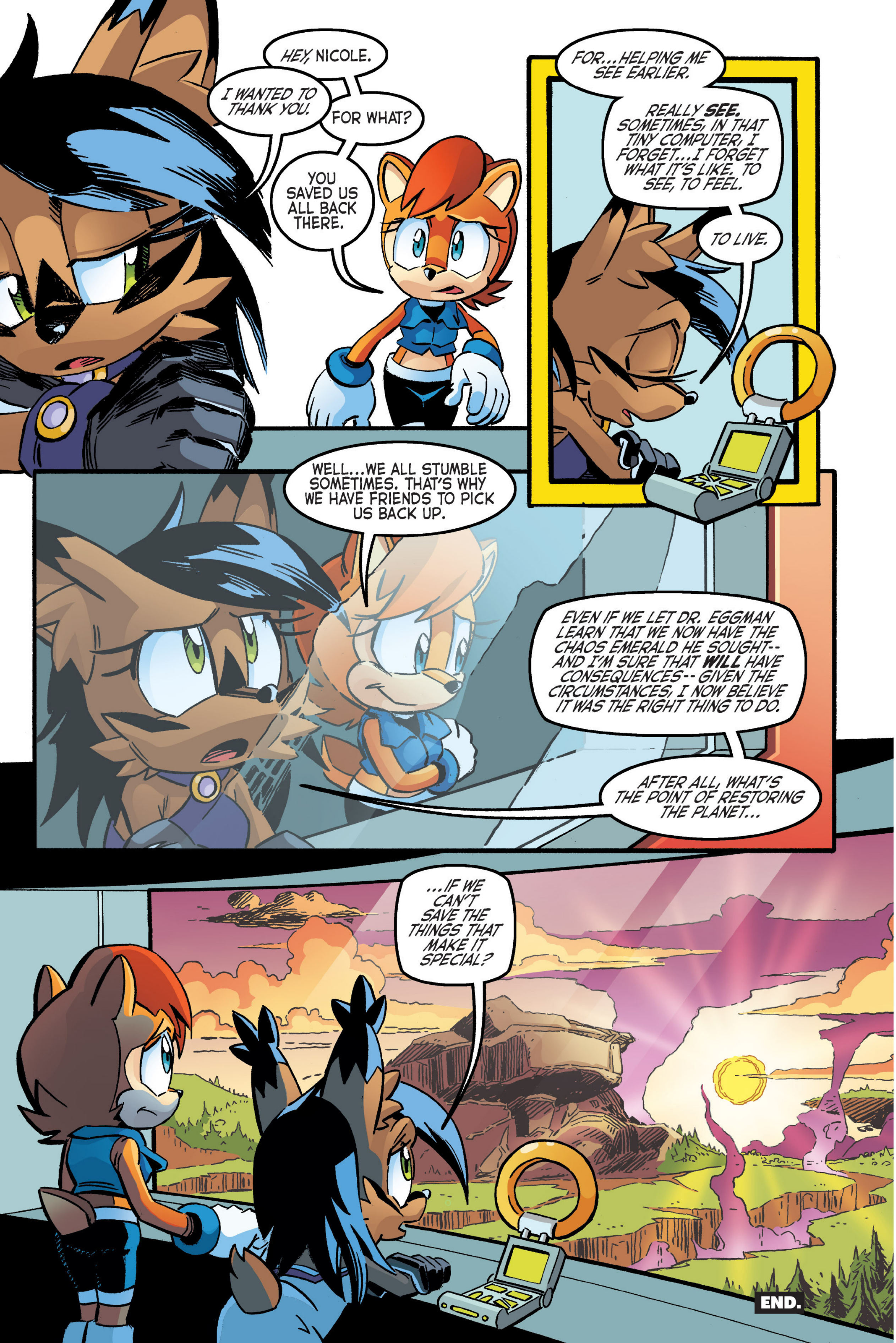
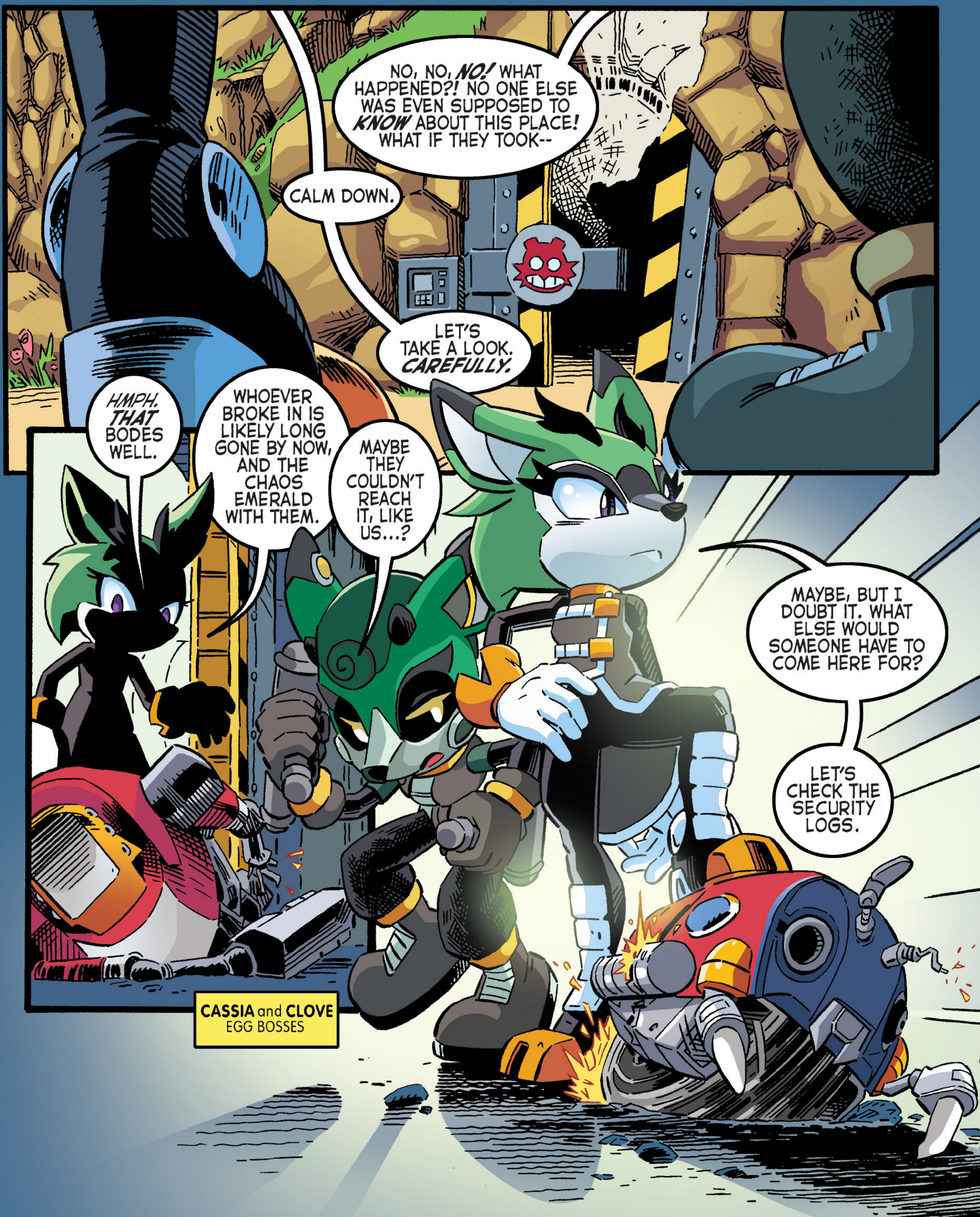

THERE'S THE WAY OUT!
WE'RE ALMOST IN THE CLEAR! JUST--
LOOK OUT!
SKYAM!
TAKE COVER! QUICKLY! I DON'T THINK I CAN--
NICOLE--!!!
SKYAM!
FLING!


IS THAT--?
AN E-1000! THEY'RE MASS-PRODUCED SHARP-SHOOTERS!
THEN WE NEED TO KEEP IT DISTRACTED WHILE WE TAKE IT DOWN!
HIT IT HARD AND FAST-- NOW!
1000
1000
SHKRIIIP!
SKRUNCH!
CLUNK!


NICOLE, ARE YOU ALL RIGHT?
I'M FINE. THE RING'S ENERGY WAS JUST DEPLETED.
SALLY, I--
WE'LL TALK LATER.
RIGHT NOW, LET'S JUST GET THIS EMERALD BACK...
"...TO SKY PATROL."
LATER...
OOH, IT'S SO PRETTY! AND YOU FOUND IT IN A WHOLE CAVE OF CRYSTALS?...MAY I HOLD IT?
NO, FROGGY. NO TOUCHING THE CHAOS EMERALD.
WOOOOOOW...
MAH STARS, LOOK AT THAT ROCK! SO, SUGAR-TWAN, WERE YOU PLANNING ON UPGRADIN' MAH WEDDING RING?
OH! AHEM...MA CHÉRIE... I MEAN TO SAY, OF COURSE. YOU ARE WORTH SOMETHING SO GRAND, BUT...ERM...
YOU KNOW I'M POKIN' FUN, RIGHT, SUGAR?
MAIS OUI! HAHA... HA...COUGH OF COURSE, WERE I TO GET FOR YOU ZE CHAOS EMERALD, IT WOULD BE ZE GREEN ONE, TO MATCH YOUR EYES, NON?
SALLY.


HEY, NICOLE.
I WANTED TO THANK YOU.
FOR WHAT?
YOU SAVED US ALL BACK THERE.
FOR...HELPING ME SEE EARLIER.
REALLY **SEE.** SOMETIMES, IN THAT TINY COMPUTER, I FORGET...I FORGET WHAT IT'S LIKE. TO SEE, TO FEEL.
TO LIVE.
WELL...WE ALL STUMBLE SOMETIMES. THAT'S WHY WE HAVE FRIENDS TO PICK US BACK UP.
EVEN IF WE LET DR. EGGMAN LEARN THAT WE NOW HAVE THE CHAOS EMERALD HE SOUGHT-- AND I'M SURE THAT **WILL** HAVE CONSEQUENCES-- GIVEN THE CIRCUMSTANCES, I NOW BELIEVE IT WAS THE RIGHT THING TO DO.
AFTER ALL, WHAT'S THE POINT OF RESTORING THE PLANET...
...IF WE CAN'T SAVE THE THINGS THAT MAKE IT SPECIAL?
END.


NO, NO, *NO!* WHAT HAPPENED?! NO ONE ELSE WAS EVEN SUPPOSED TO *KNOW* ABOUT THIS PLACE! WHAT IF THEY TOOK--
CALM DOWN.
LET'S TAKE A LOOK. *CAREFULLY.*
HMPH. ***THAT*** BODES WELL.
WHOEVER BROKE IN IS LIKELY LONG GONE BY NOW, AND THE CHAOS EMERALD WITH THEM.
MAYBE THEY COULDN'T REACH IT, LIKE US...?
MAYBE, BUT I DOUBT IT. WHAT ELSE WOULD SOMEONE HAVE TO COME HERE FOR?
LET'S CHECK THE SECURITY LOGS.
CASSIA and **CLOVE**
EGG BOSSES

CONSEQUENCES

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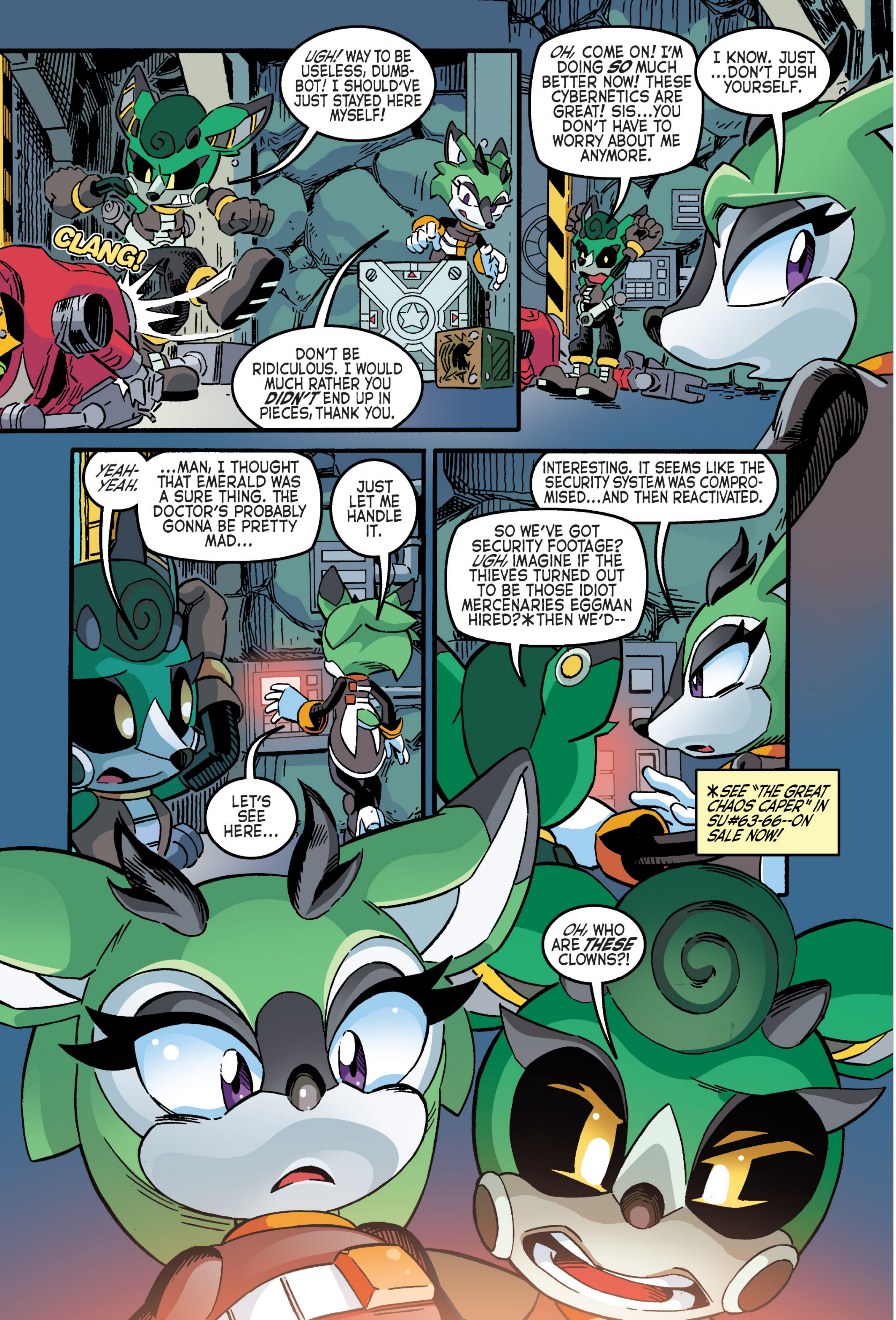
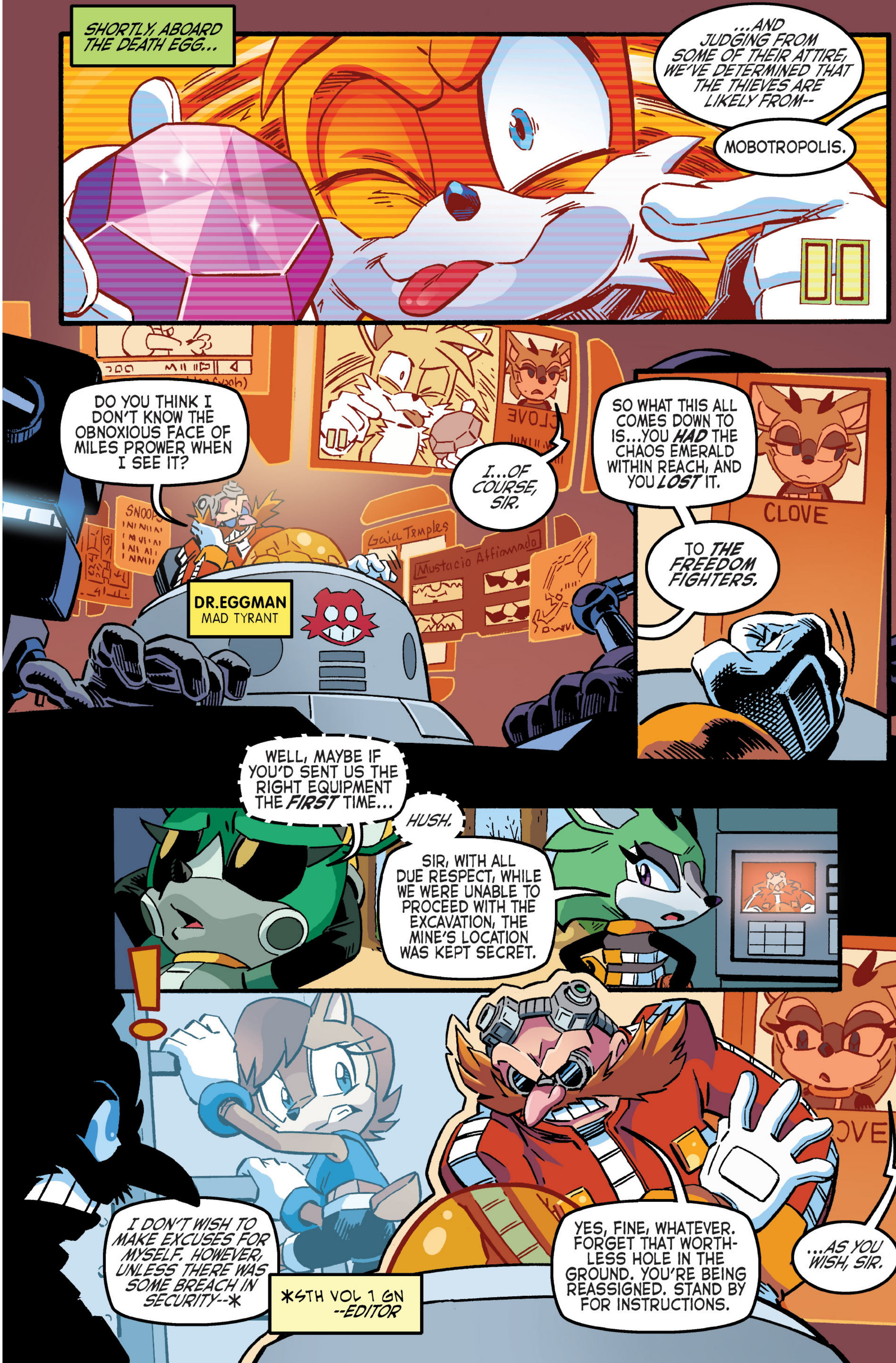
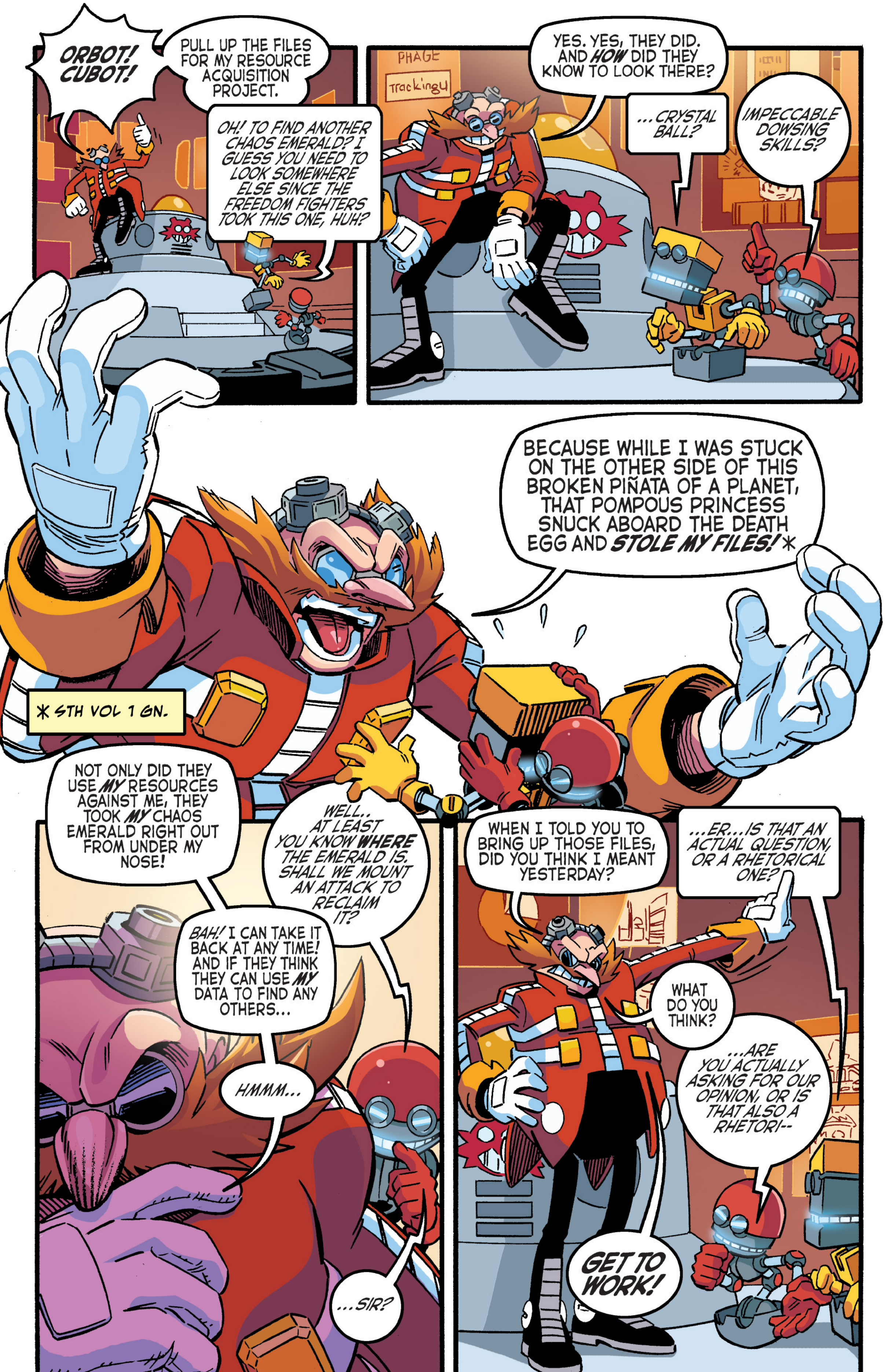
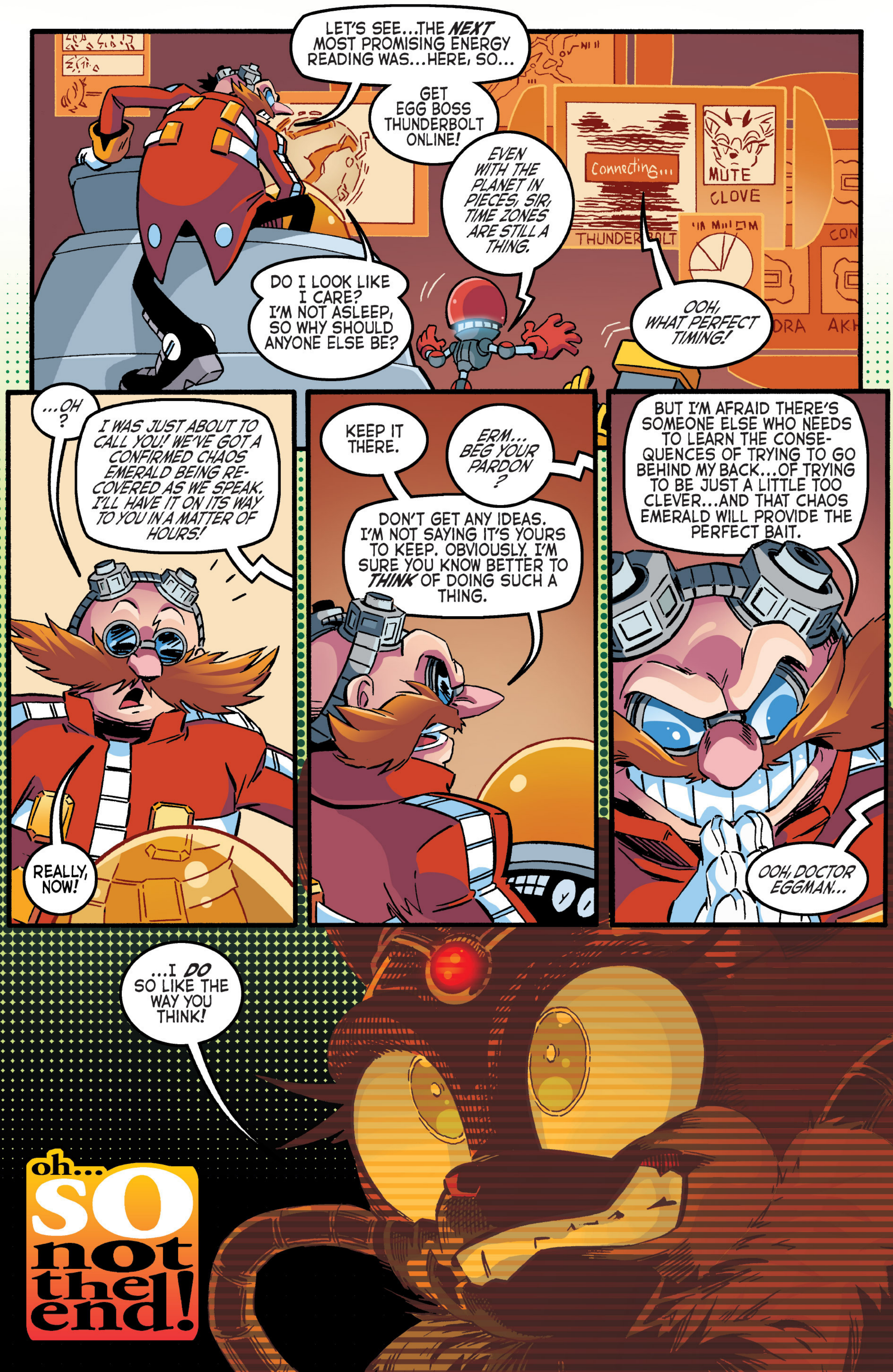

CLANG!
UGH! WAY TO BE USELESS, DUMB-BOT! I SHOULD'VE JUST STAYED HERE MYSELF!
DON'T BE RIDICULOUS. I WOULD MUCH RATHER YOU DIDN'T END UP IN PIECES, THANK YOU.
OH, COME ON! I'M DOING SO MUCH BETTER NOW! THESE CYBERNETICS ARE GREAT! SIS...YOU DON'T HAVE TO WORRY ABOUT ME ANYMORE.
I KNOW. JUST ...DON'T PUSH YOURSELF.
YEAH-YEAH.
...MAN, I THOUGHT THAT EMERALD WAS A SURE THING. THE DOCTOR'S PROBABLY GONNA BE PRETTY MAD...
JUST LET ME HANDLE IT.
LET'S SEE HERE...
INTERESTING. IT SEEMS LIKE THE SECURITY SYSTEM WAS COMPROMISED...AND THEN REACTIVATED.
SO WE'VE GOT SECURITY FOOTAGE? UGH, IMAGINE IF THE THIEVES TURNED OUT TO BE THOSE IDIOT MERCENARIES EGGMAN HIRED?* THEN WE'D--
*SEE "THE GREAT CHAOS CAPER" IN SU#63-66--ON SALE NOW!
OH, WHO ARE THESE CLOWNS?!


SHORTLY, ABOARD THE DEATH EGG...
...AND JUDGING FROM SOME OF THEIR ATTIRE, WE'VE DETERMINED THAT THE THIEVES ARE LIKELY FROM--
MOBOTROPOLIS.
SNOOP
Gaia Temples
Mustacio Affiomado
CLOVE
DO YOU THINK I DON'T KNOW THE OBNOXIOUS FACE OF MILES PROWER WHEN I SEE IT?
I...OF COURSE, SIR.
DR.EGGMAN
MAD TYRANT
SO WHAT THIS ALL COMES DOWN TO IS...YOU HAD THE CHAOS EMERALD WITHIN REACH, AND YOU LOST IT.
TO THE FREEDOM FIGHTERS.
WELL, MAYBE IF YOU'D SENT US THE RIGHT EQUIPMENT THE FIRST TIME...
HUSH.
SIR, WITH ALL DUE RESPECT, WHILE WE WERE UNABLE TO PROCEED WITH THE EXCAVATION, THE MINE'S LOCATION WAS KEPT SECRET.
I DON'T WISH TO MAKE EXCUSES FOR MYSELF. HOWEVER, UNLESS THERE WAS SOME BREACH IN SECURITY--*
*STH VOL 1 GN --EDITOR
YES, FINE, WHATEVER. FORGET THAT WORTHLESS HOLE IN THE GROUND. YOU'RE BEING REASSIGNED. STAND BY FOR INSTRUCTIONS.
...AS YOU WISH, SIR.


ORBOT! CUBOT!
PULL UP THE FILES FOR MY RESOURCE ACQUISITION PROJECT.
OH! TO FIND ANOTHER CHAOS EMERALD? I GUESS YOU NEED TO LOOK SOMEWHERE ELSE SINCE THE FREEDOM FIGHTERS TOOK THIS ONE, HUH?
PHAGE
Tracking
YES. YES, THEY DID. AND *HOW* DID THEY KNOW TO LOOK THERE?
...CRYSTAL BALL?
IMPECCABLE DOWSING SKILLS?
BECAUSE WHILE I WAS STUCK ON THE OTHER SIDE OF THIS BROKEN PIÑATA OF A PLANET, THAT POMPOUS PRINCESS SNUCK ABOARD THE DEATH EGG AND ***STOLE MY FILES!****
* STH VOL 1 GN.
NOT ONLY DID THEY USE *MY* RESOURCES AGAINST ME, THEY TOOK *MY* CHAOS EMERALD RIGHT OUT FROM UNDER MY NOSE!
WELL.. AT LEAST YOU KNOW **WHERE** THE EMERALD IS. SHALL WE MOUNT AN ATTACK TO RECLAIM IT?
BAH! I CAN TAKE IT BACK AT ANY TIME! AND IF THEY THINK THEY CAN USE *MY* DATA TO FIND ANY OTHERS...
HMMM...
...SIR?
WHEN I TOLD YOU TO BRING UP THOSE FILES, DID YOU THINK I MEANT YESTERDAY?
...ER...IS THAT AN ACTUAL QUESTION, OR A RHETORICAL ONE?
WHAT DO YOU THINK?
...ARE YOU ACTUALLY ASKING FOR OUR OPINION, OR IS THAT ALSO A RHETORI--
GET TO WORK!


LET'S SEE...THE NEXT MOST PROMISING ENERGY READING WAS...HERE, SO...
GET EGG BOSS THUNDERBOLT ONLINE!
EVEN WITH THE PLANET IN PIECES, SIR, TIME ZONES ARE STILL A THING.
Connecting...
MUTE
CLOVE
THUNDERBOLT
DO I LOOK LIKE I CARE? I'M NOT ASLEEP, SO WHY SHOULD ANYONE ELSE BE?
OOH, WHAT PERFECT TIMING!
...OH?
I WAS JUST ABOUT TO CALL YOU! WE'VE GOT A CONFIRMED CHAOS EMERALD BEING RECOVERED AS WE SPEAK. I'LL HAVE IT ON ITS WAY TO YOU IN A MATTER OF HOURS!
REALLY, NOW!
KEEP IT THERE.
ERM... BEG YOUR PARDON?
DON'T GET ANY IDEAS. I'M NOT SAYING IT'S YOURS TO KEEP. OBVIOUSLY, I'M SURE YOU KNOW BETTER TO THINK OF DOING SUCH A THING.
BUT I'M AFRAID THERE'S SOMEONE ELSE WHO NEEDS TO LEARN THE CONSEQUENCES OF TRYING TO GO BEHIND MY BACK...OF TRYING TO BE JUST A LITTLE TOO CLEVER...AND THAT CHAOS EMERALD WILL PROVIDE THE PERFECT BAIT.
OOH, DOCTOR EGGMAN...
...I DO SO LIKE THE WAY YOU THINK!
oh... so not the end!

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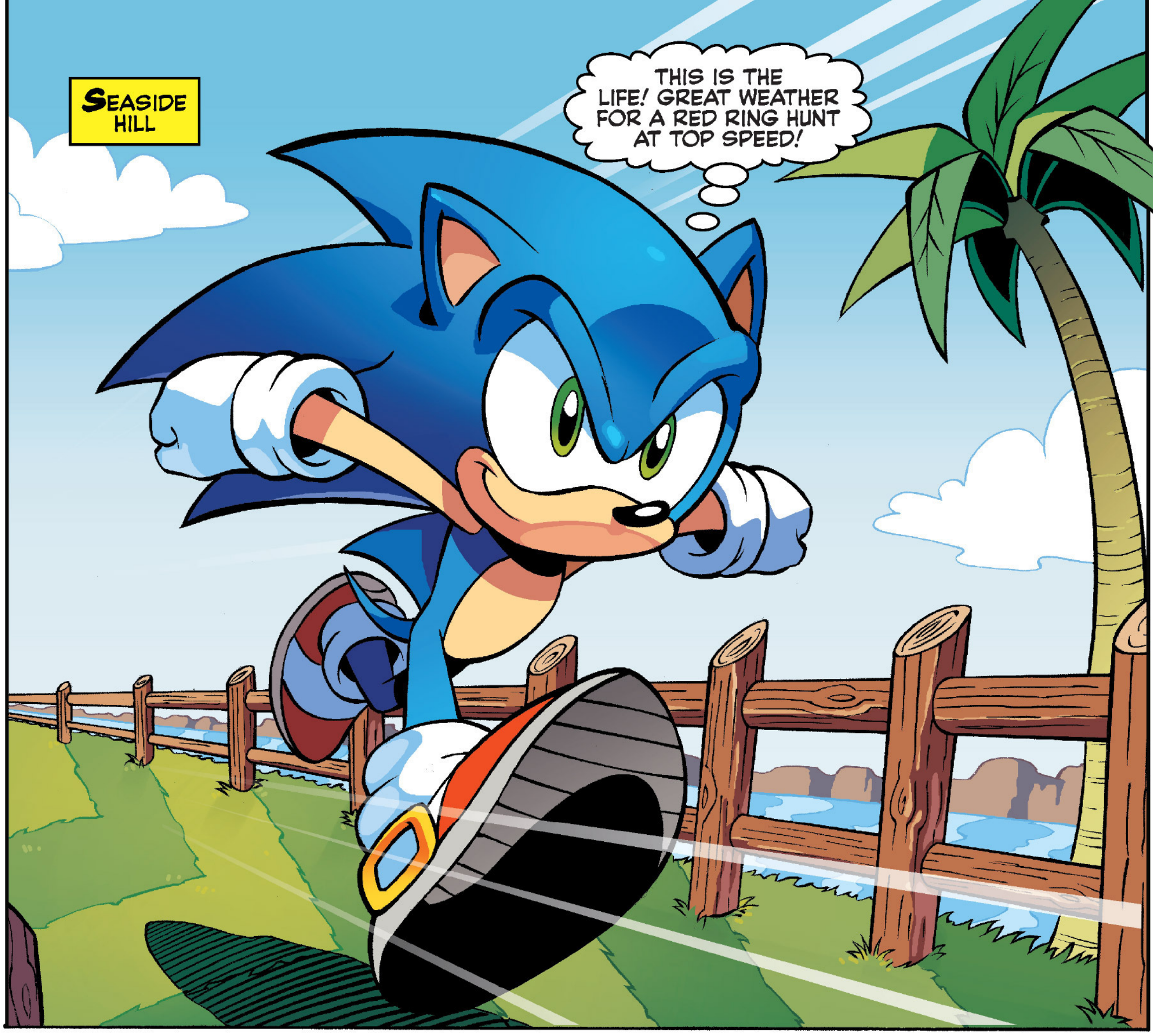
SEASIDE HILL
THIS IS THE LIFE! GREAT WEATHER FOR A RED RING HUNT AT TOP SPEED!

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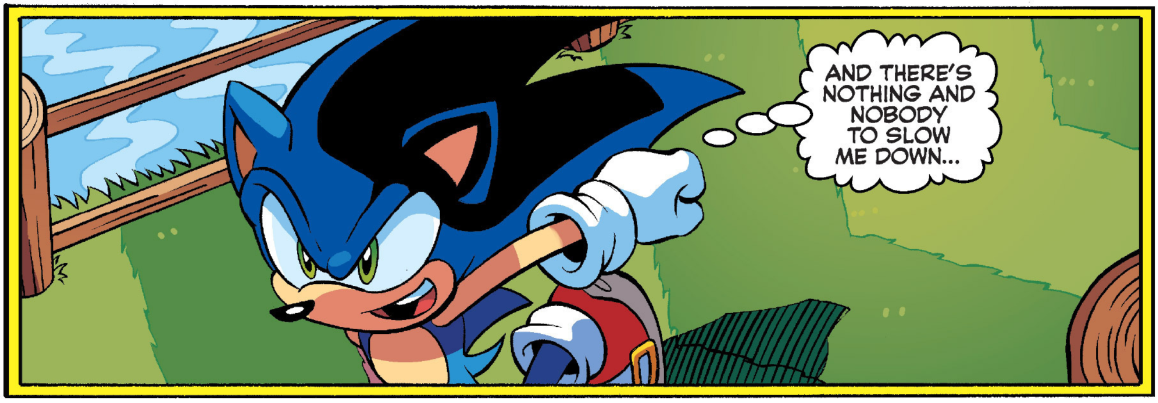
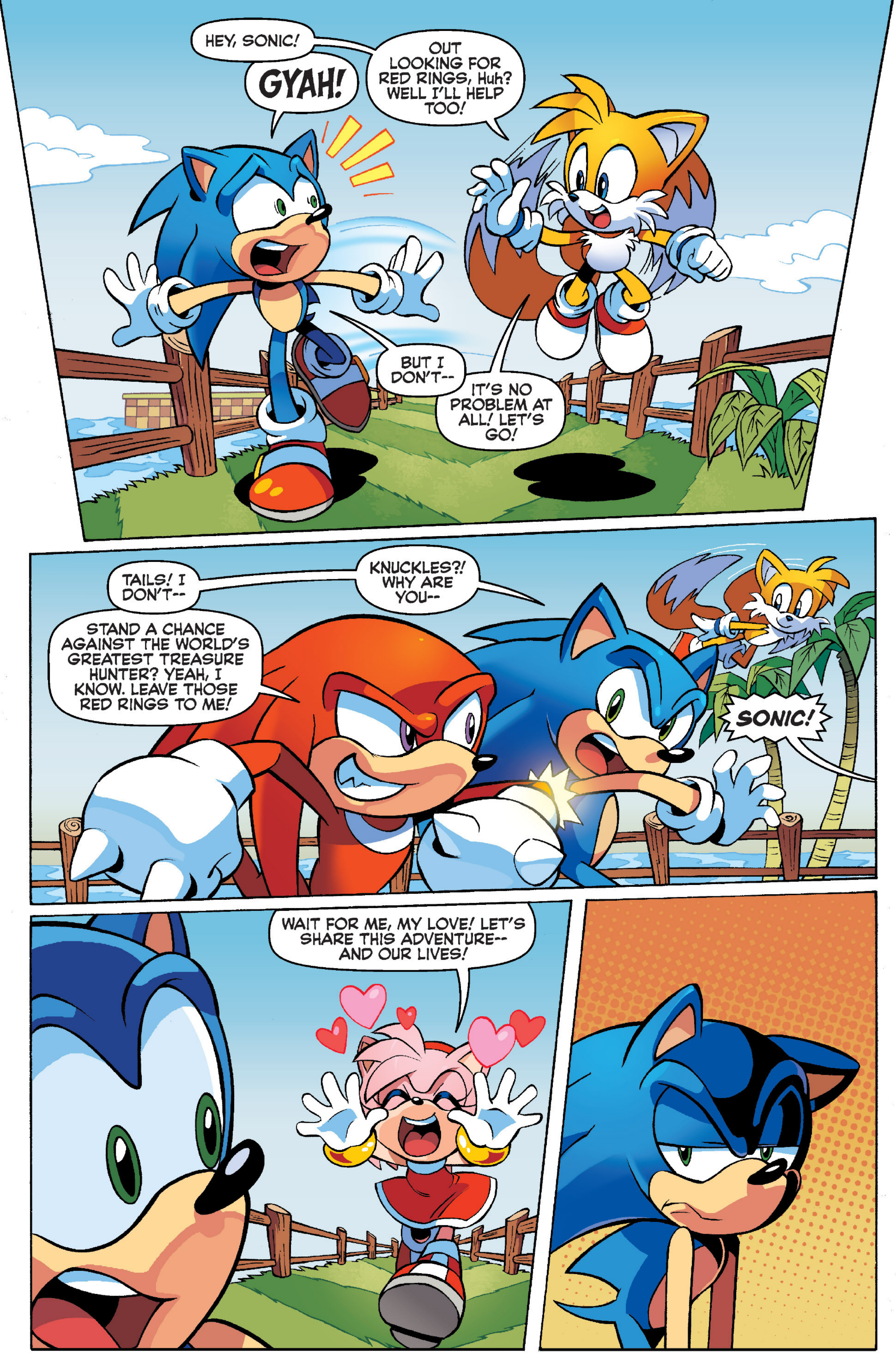
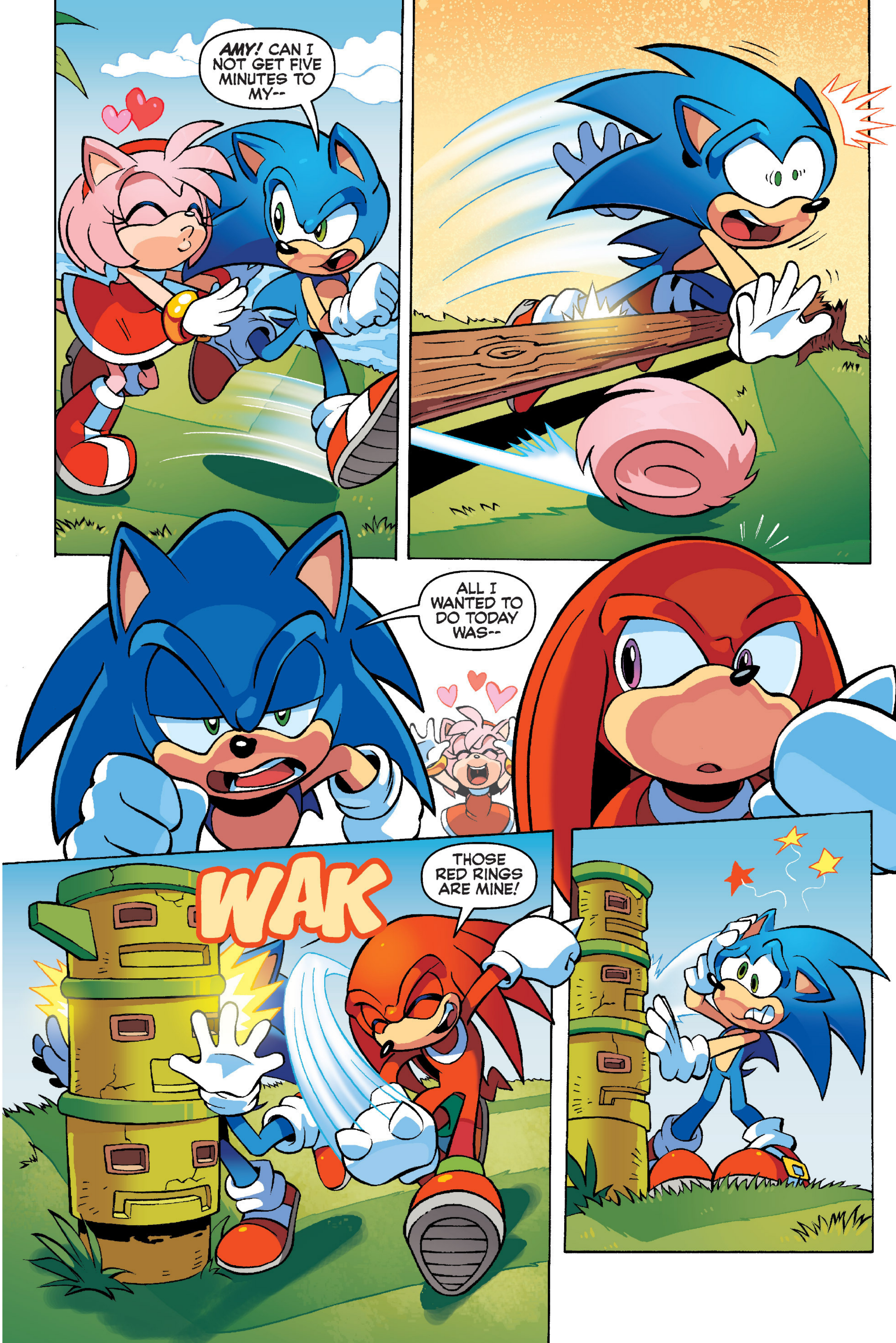
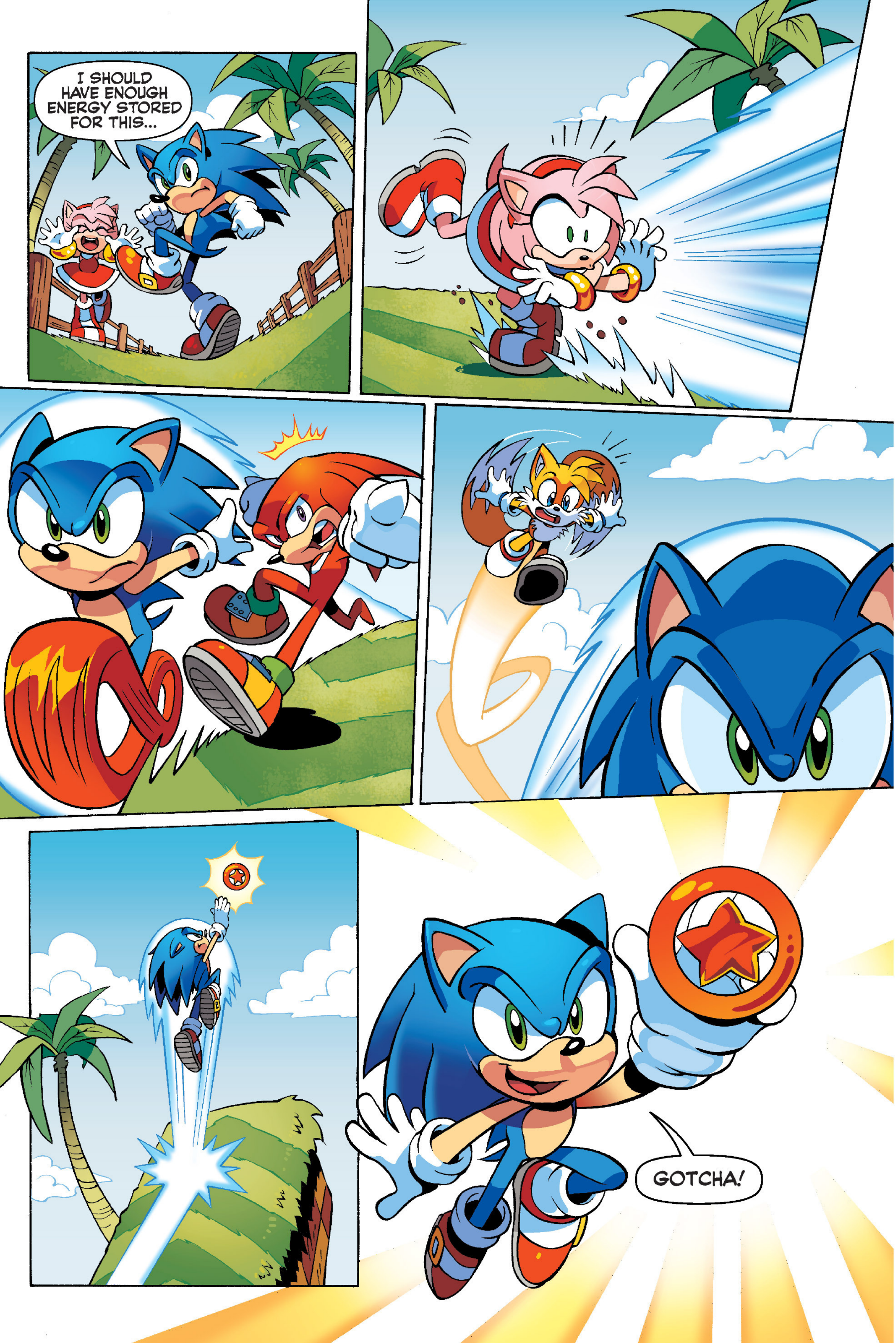
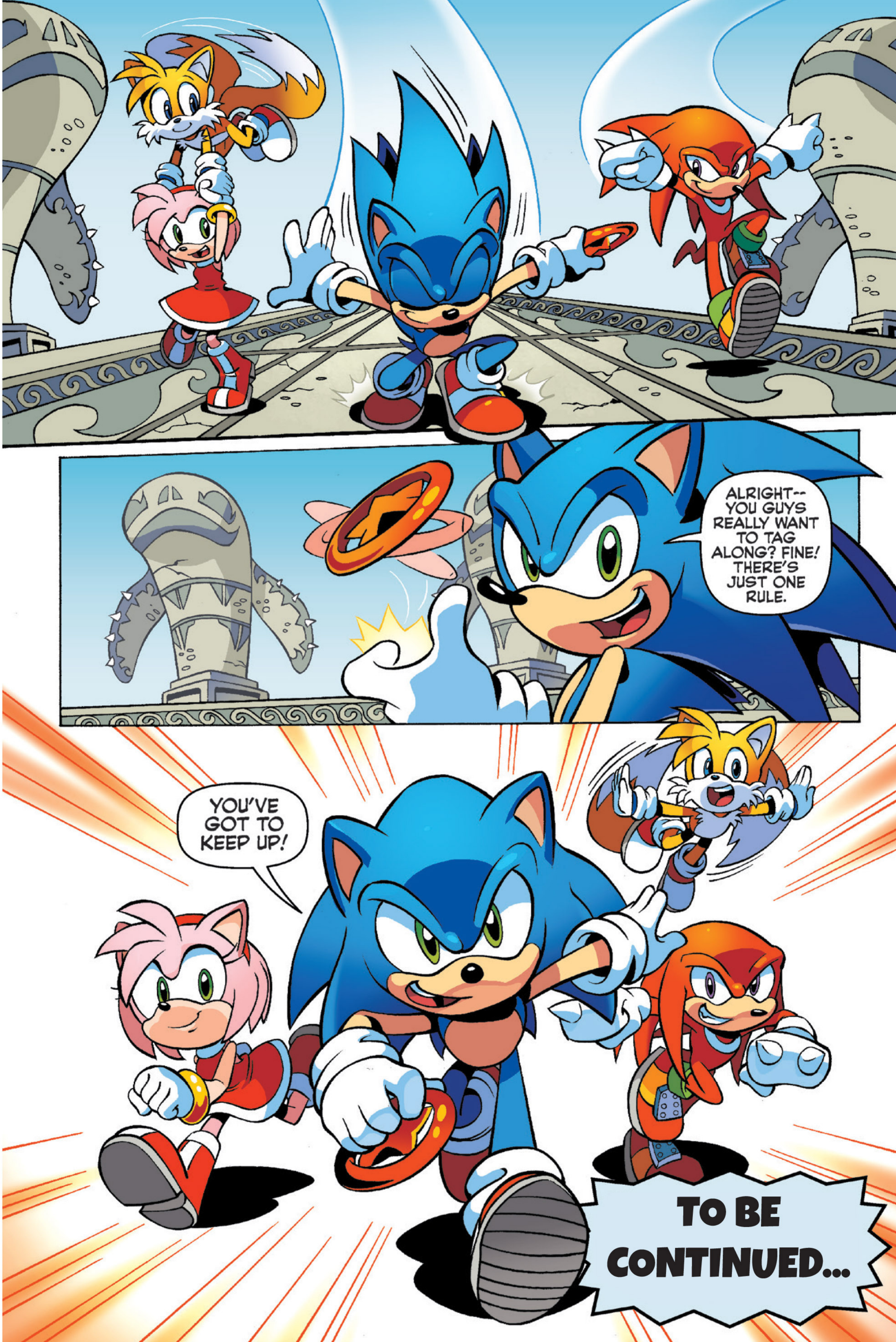
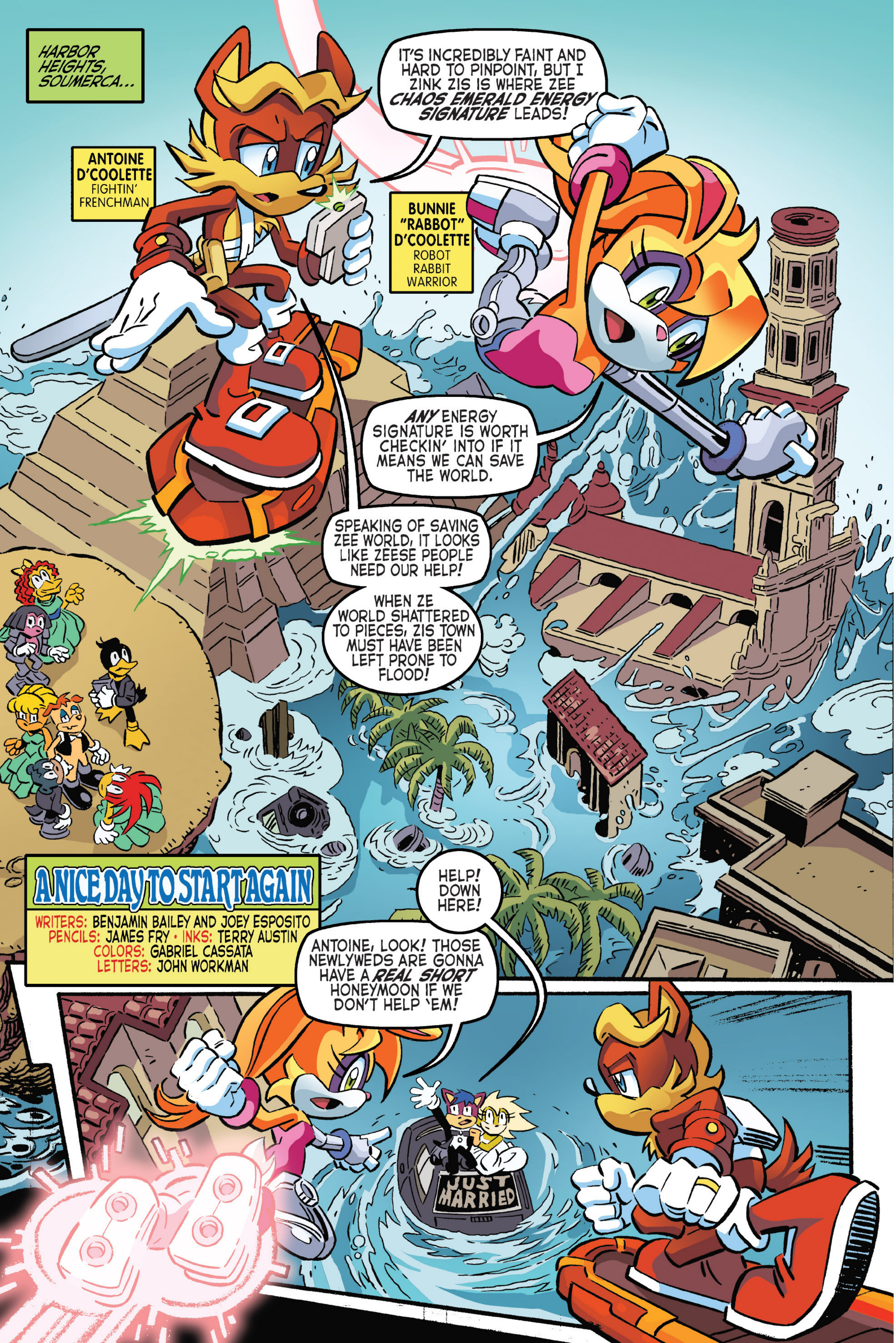

AND THERE'S NOTHING AND NOBODY TO SLOW ME DOWN...


HEY, SONIC!
GYAH!
OUT LOOKING FOR RED RINGS, Huh? WELL I'LL HELP TOO!
BUT I DON'T--
IT'S NO PROBLEM AT ALL! LET'S GO!
TAILS! I DON'T--
KNUCKLES?! WHY ARE YOU--
STAND A CHANCE AGAINST THE WORLD'S GREATEST TREASURE HUNTER? YEAH, I KNOW. LEAVE THOSE RED RINGS TO ME!
SONIC!
WAIT FOR ME, MY LOVE! LET'S SHARE THIS ADVENTURE-- AND OUR LIVES!


AMY! CAN I NOT GET FIVE MINUTES TO MY--
ALL I WANTED TO DO TODAY WAS--
WAK
THOSE RED RINGS ARE MINE!


I SHOULD HAVE ENOUGH ENERGY STORED FOR THIS...
GOTCHA!


ALRIGHT-- YOU GUYS REALLY WANT TO TAG ALONG? FINE! THERE'S JUST ONE RULE.
YOU'VE GOT TO KEEP UP!
TO BE CONTINUED...


HARBOR HEIGHTS, SOUMERCA...
ANTOINE D'COOLETTE FIGHTIN' FRENCHMAN
IT'S INCREDIBLY FAINT AND HARD TO PINPOINT, BUT I ZINK ZIS IS WHERE ZEE *CHAOS EMERALD ENERGY SIGNATURE* LEADS!
BUNNIE "RABBOT" D'COOLETTE ROBOT RABBIT WARRIOR
ANY ENERGY SIGNATURE IS WORTH CHECKIN' INTO IF IT MEANS WE CAN SAVE THE WORLD.
SPEAKING OF SAVING ZEE WORLD, IT LOOKS LIKE ZEESE PEOPLE NEED OUR HELP!
WHEN ZE WORLD SHATTERED TO PIECES, ZIS TOWN MUST HAVE BEEN LEFT PRONE TO FLOOD!
HELP! DOWN HERE!
ANTOINE, LOOK! THOSE NEWLYWEDS ARE GONNA HAVE A *REAL SHORT* HONEYMOON IF WE DON'T HELP 'EM!
JUST MARRIED

A NICE DAY TO START AGAIN

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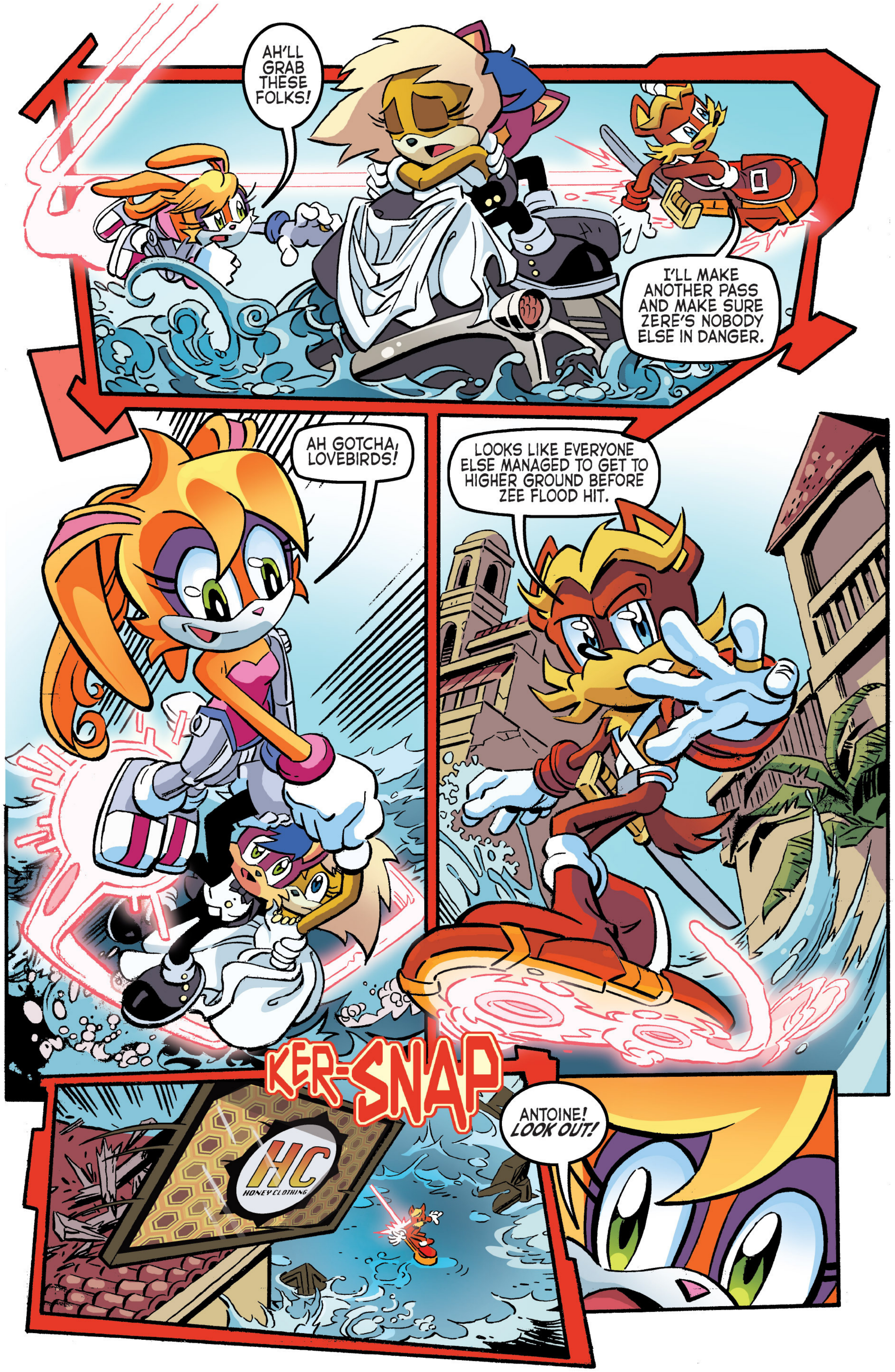
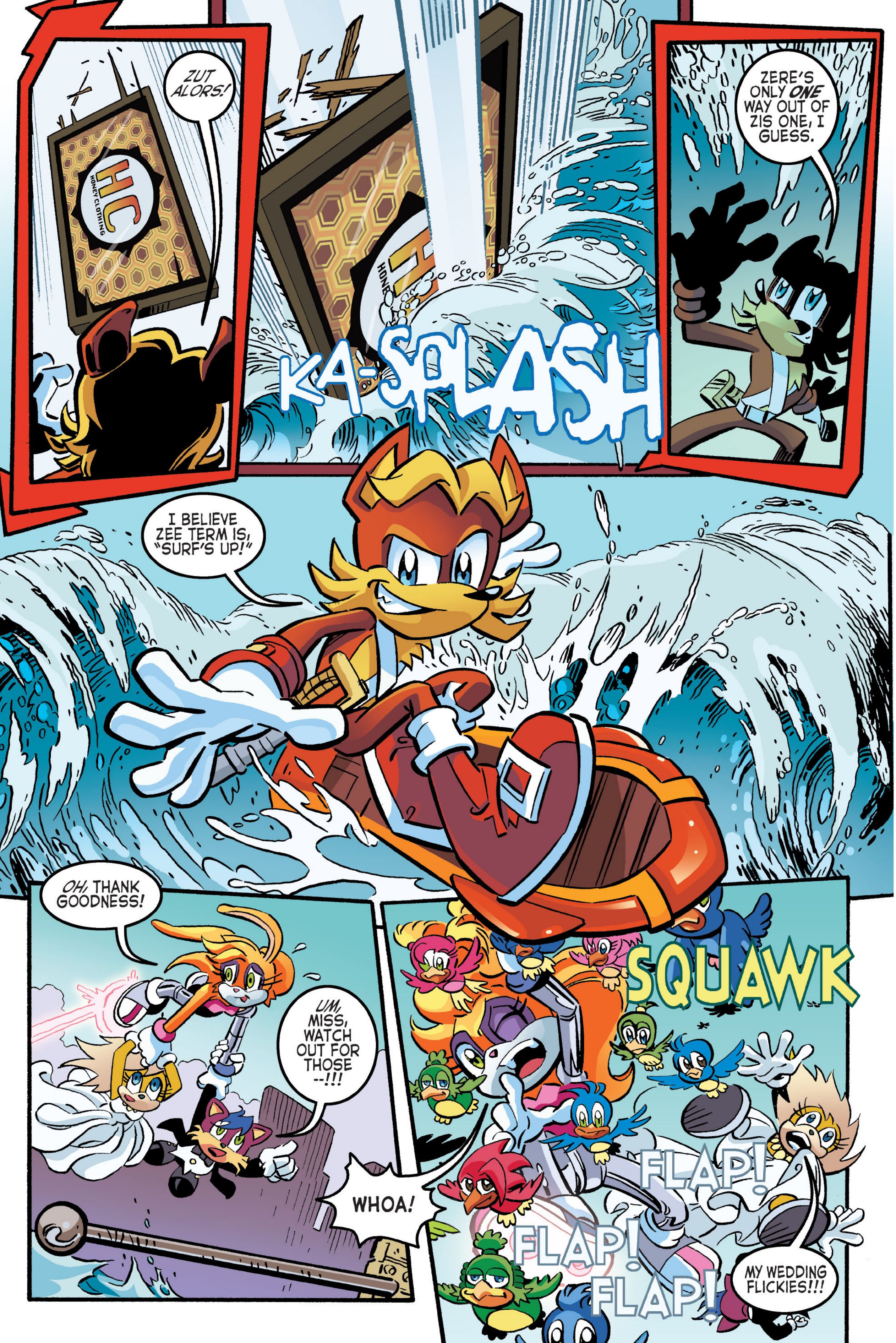
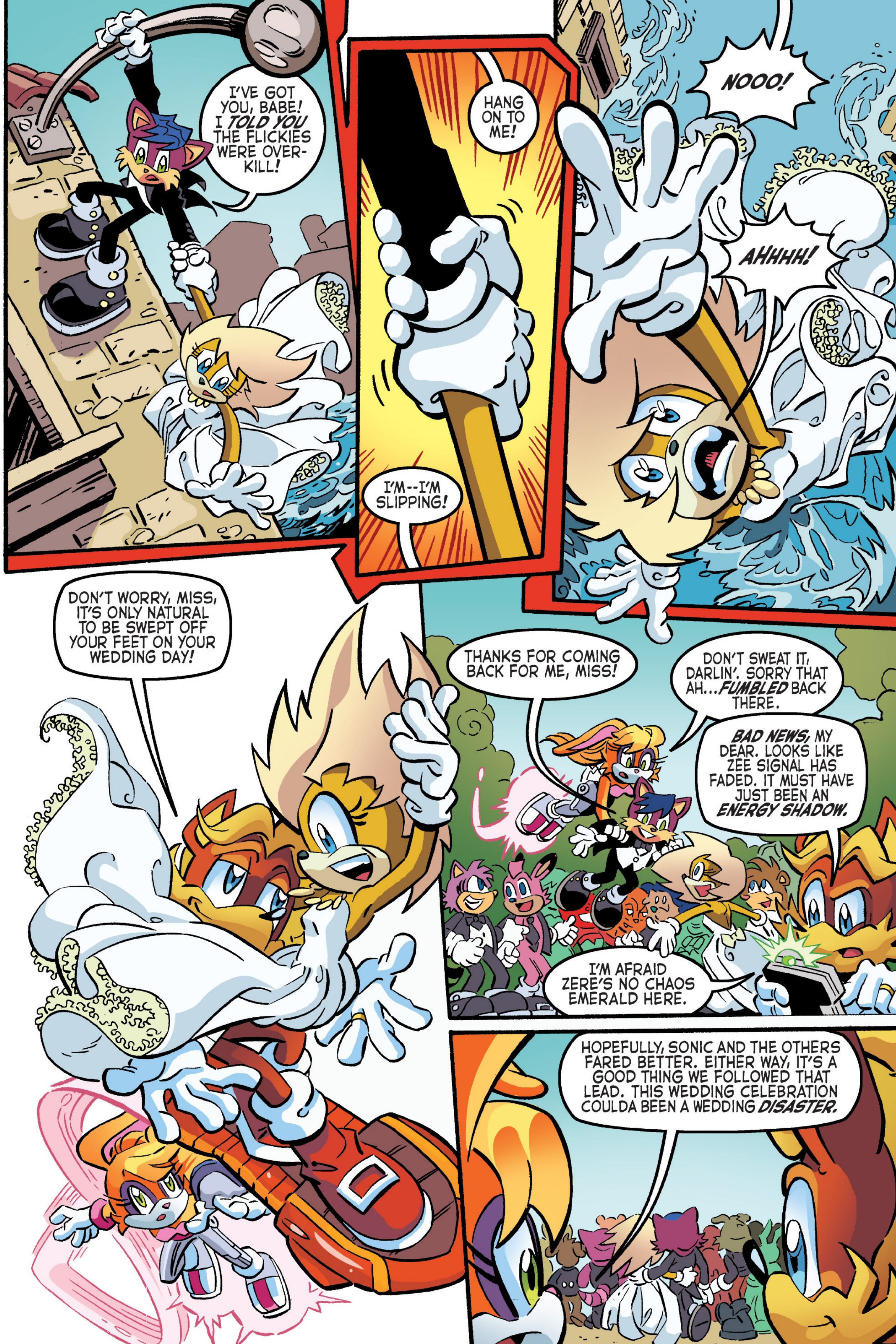
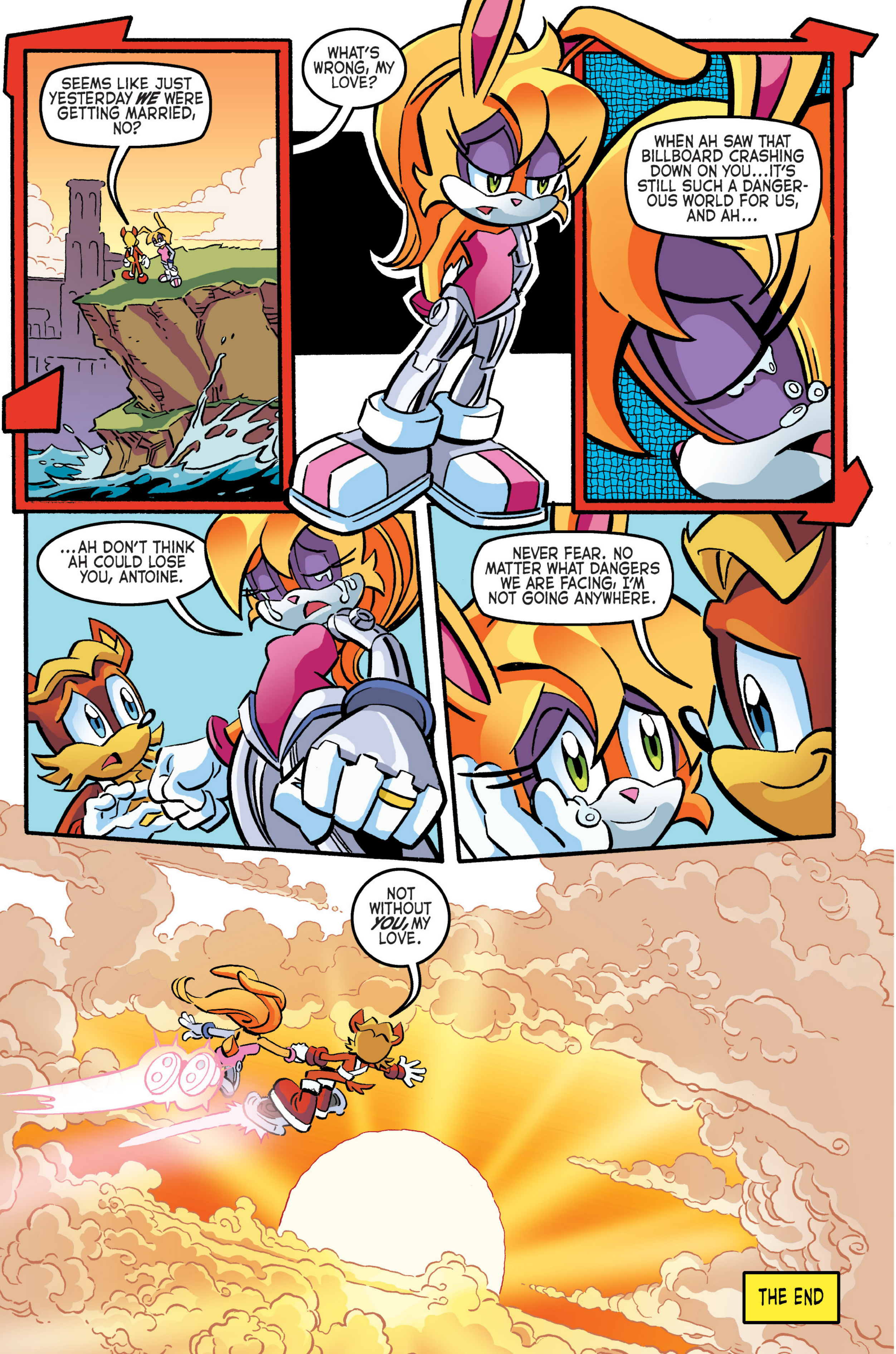

AH'LL GRAB THESE FOLKS!
I'LL MAKE ANOTHER PASS AND MAKE SURE ZERE'S NOBODY ELSE IN DANGER.
AH GOTCHA, LOVEBIRDS!
LOOKS LIKE EVERYONE ELSE MANAGED TO GET TO HIGHER GROUND BEFORE ZEE FLOOD HIT.
KER-SNAP
HC
HONEY CLOTHING
ANTOINE! *LOOK OUT!*


ZUT ALORS!
HC
HONEY CLOTHING
KA-SPLASH
ZERE'S ONLY *ONE* WAY OUT OF ZIS ONE, I GUESS.
I BELIEVE ZEE TERM IS, "SURF'S UP!"
OH, THANK GOODNESS!
UM, MISS, WATCH OUT FOR THOSE --!!!
WHOA!
SQUAWK
FLAP!
FLAP!
FLAP!
MY WEDDING FLICKIES!!!


I'VE GOT YOU, BABE! I *TOLD YOU* THE FLICKIES WERE OVER-KILL!
HANG ON TO ME!
I'M--I'M SLIPPING!
NOOO!
AHHHH!
DON'T WORRY, MISS, IT'S ONLY NATURAL TO BE SWEPT OFF YOUR FEET ON YOUR WEDDING DAY!
THANKS FOR COMING BACK FOR ME, MISS!
DON'T SWEAT IT, DARLIN'. SORRY THAT AH...*FUMBLED* BACK THERE.
BAD NEWS, MY DEAR. LOOKS LIKE ZEE SIGNAL HAS FADED. IT MUST HAVE JUST BEEN AN *ENERGY SHADOW.*
I'M AFRAID ZERE'S NO CHAOS EMERALD HERE.
HOPEFULLY, SONIC AND THE OTHERS FARED BETTER. EITHER WAY, IT'S A GOOD THING WE FOLLOWED THAT LEAD. THIS WEDDING CELEBRATION COULDA BEEN A WEDDING *DISASTER.*


SEEMS LIKE JUST YESTERDAY *WE* WERE GETTING MARRIED, NO?
WHAT'S WRONG, MY LOVE?
WHEN AH SAW THAT BILLBOARD CRASHING DOWN ON YOU...IT'S STILL SUCH A DANGEROUS WORLD FOR US, AND AH...
...AH DON'T THINK AH COULD LOSE YOU, ANTOINE.
NEVER FEAR. NO MATTER WHAT DANGERS WE ARE FACING, I'M NOT GOING ANYWHERE.
NOT WITHOUT *YOU,* MY LOVE.
THE END

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WAVES OF CHANGE

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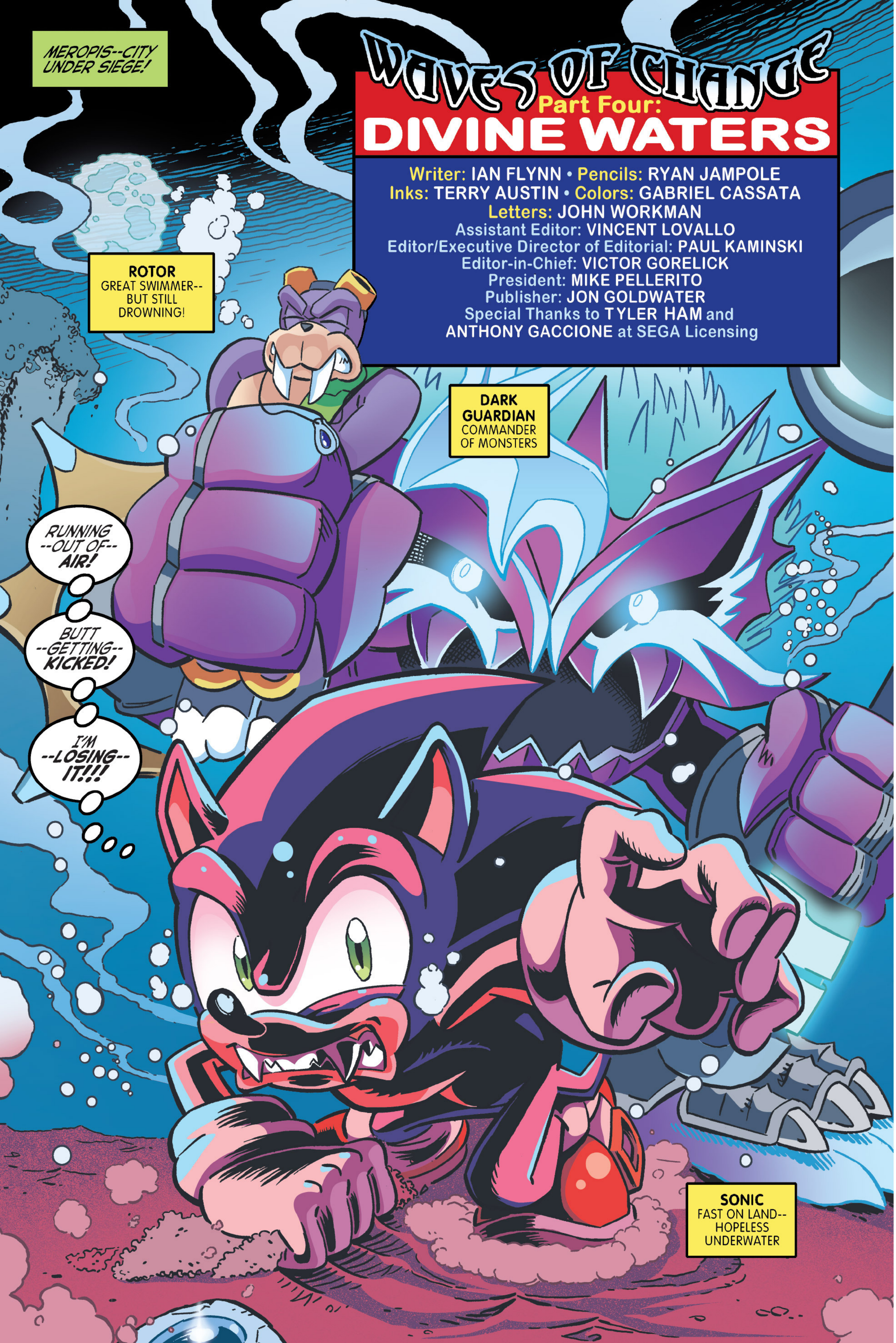
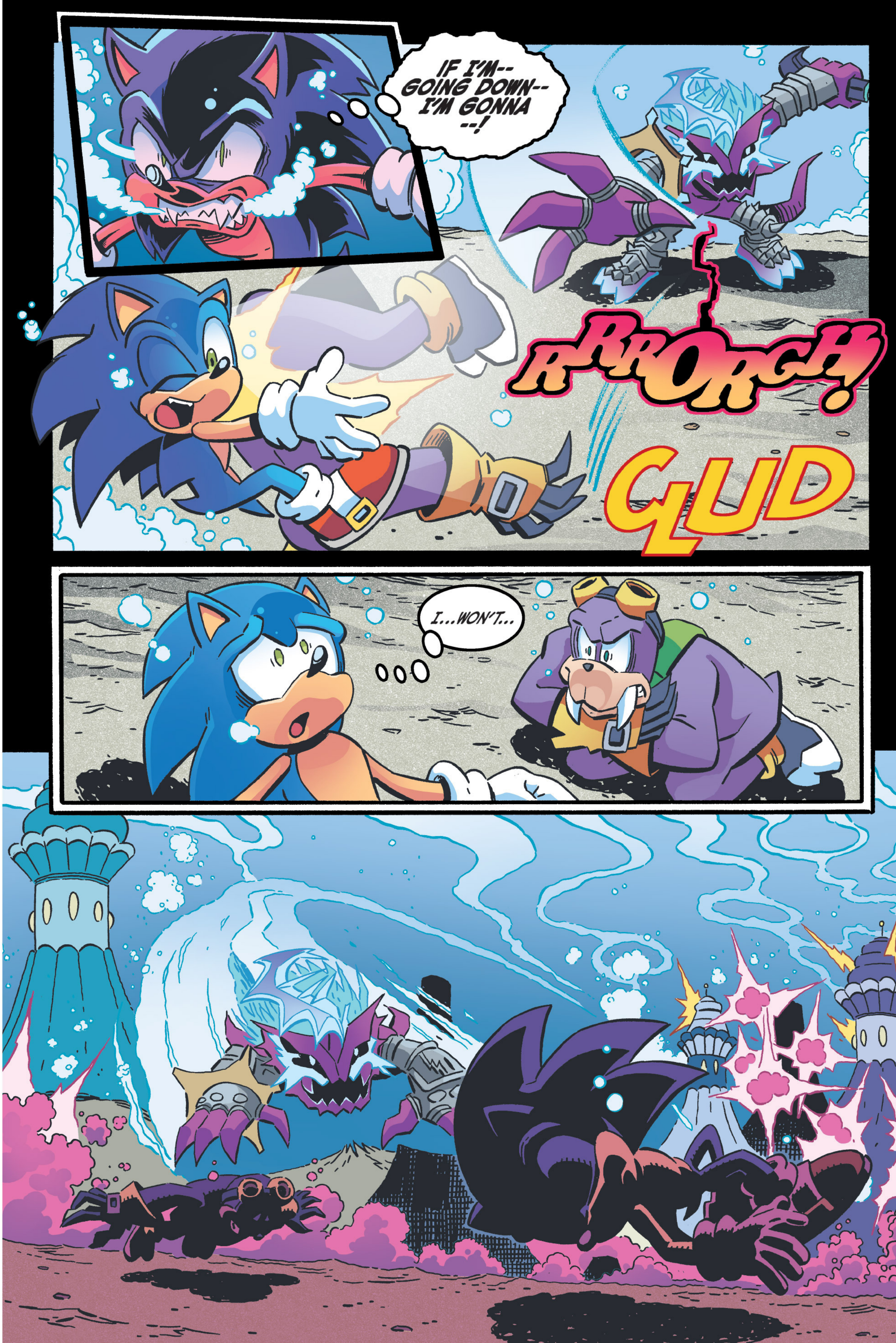
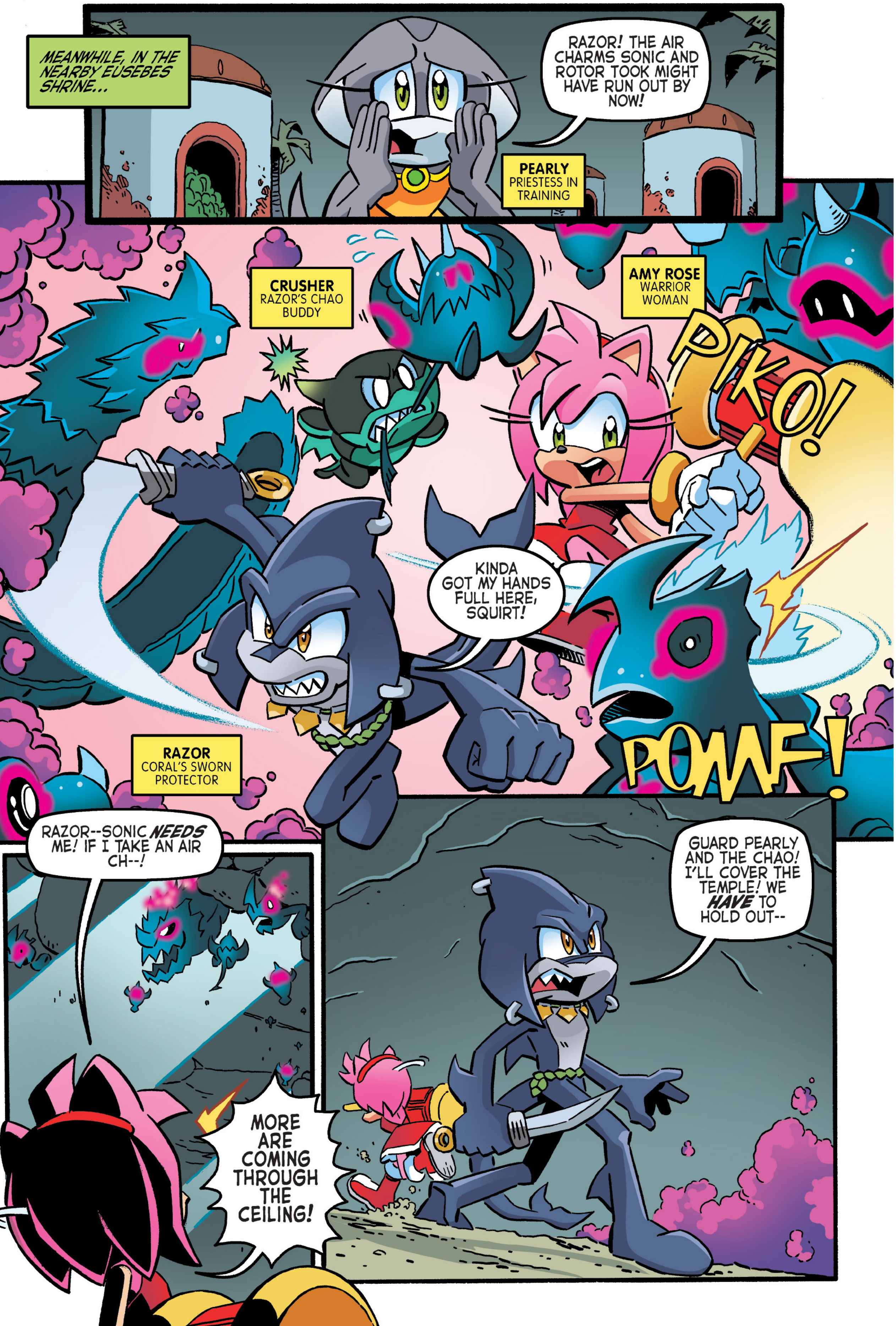
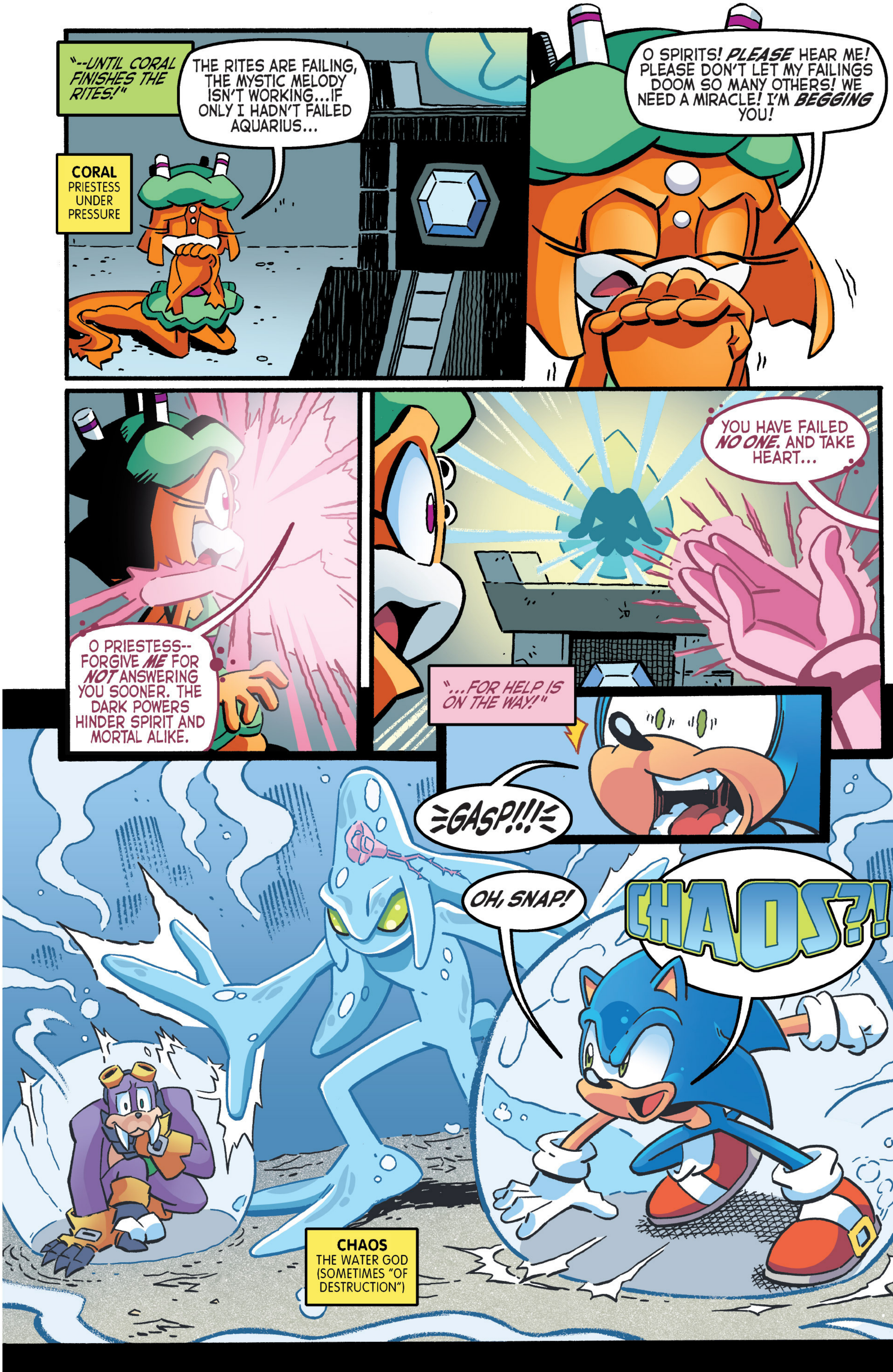
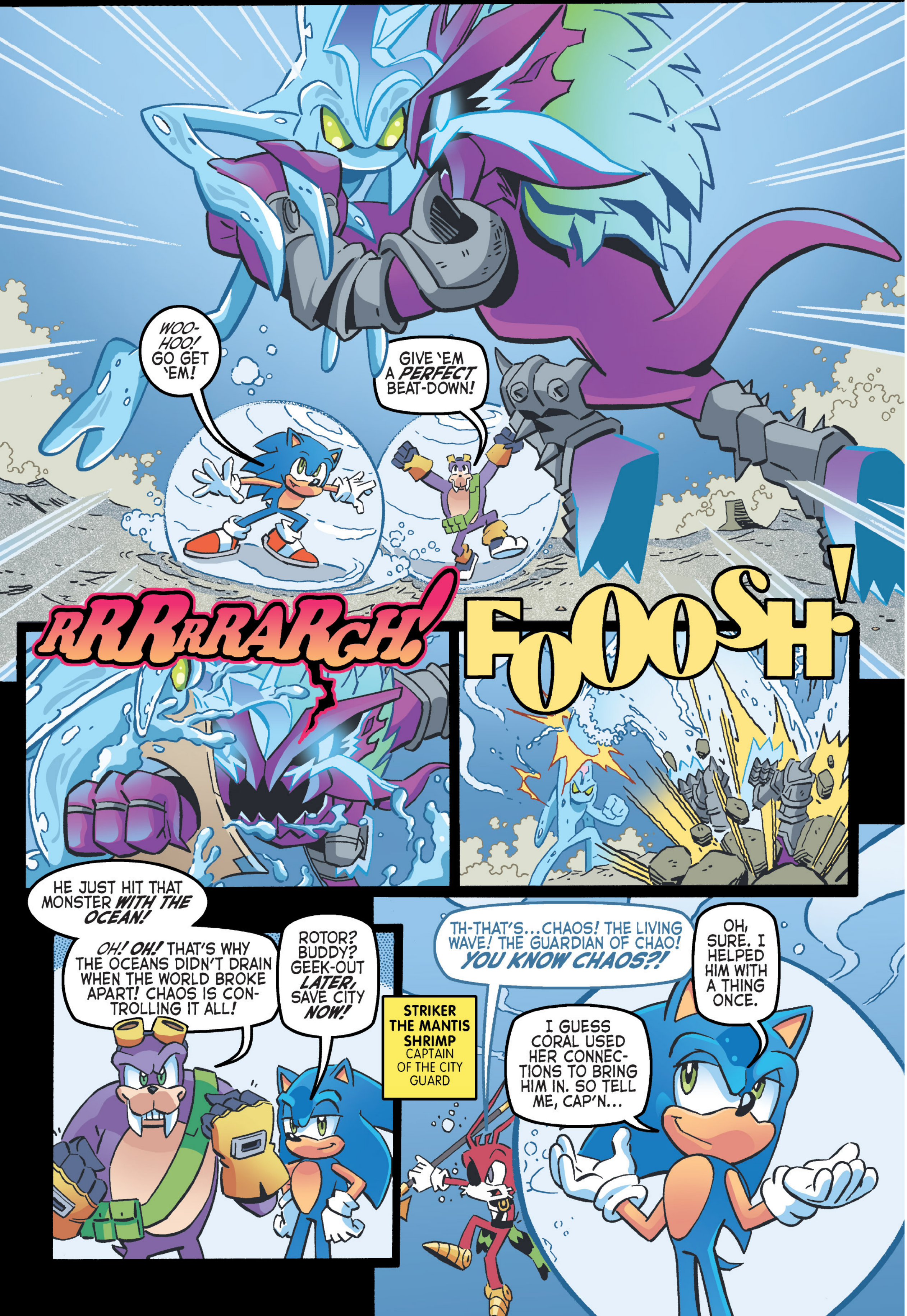
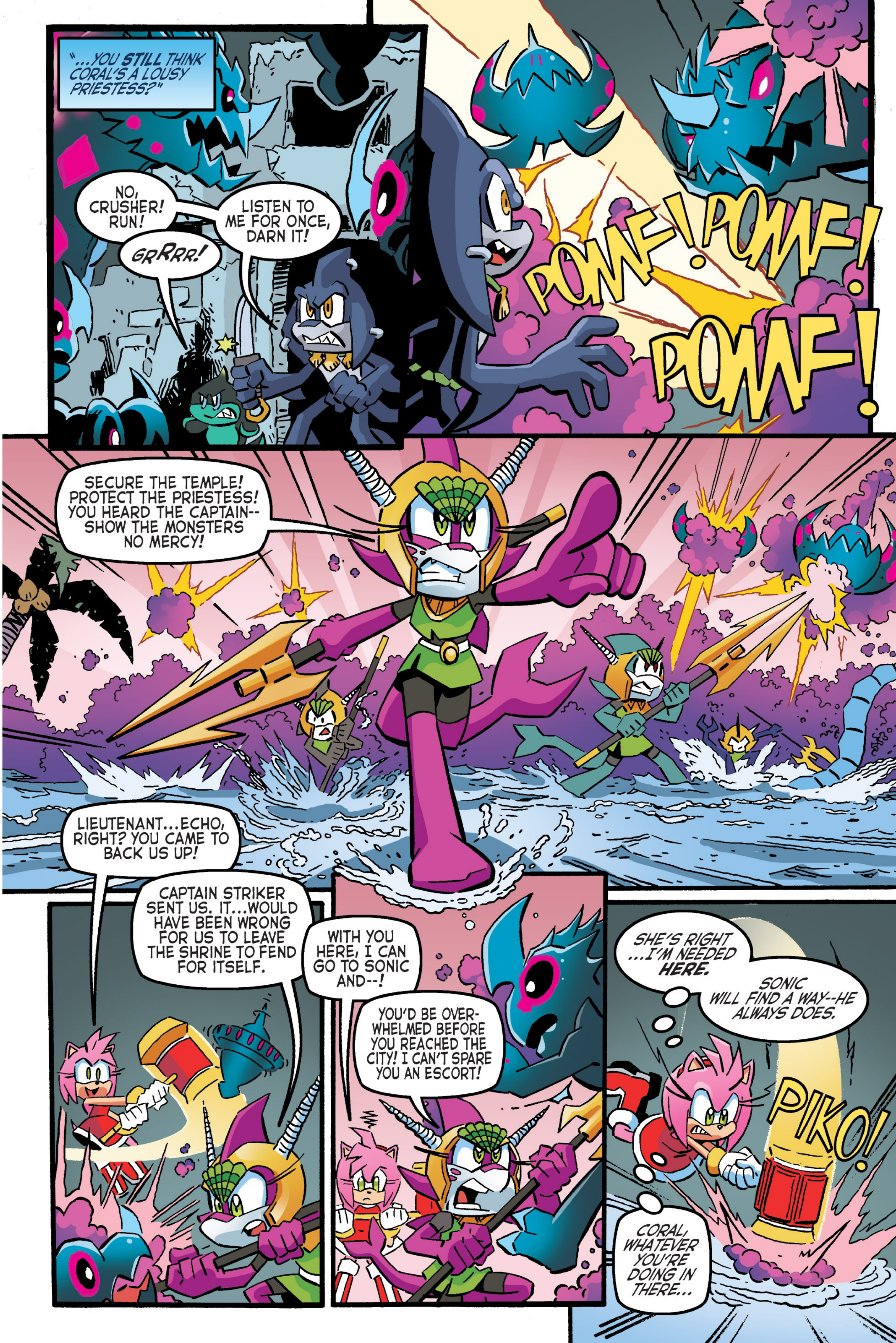

MEROPIS--CITY UNDER SIEGE!
ROTOR GREAT SWIMMER--BUT STILL DROWNING!
RUNNING --OUT OF-- AIR!
BUTT --GETTING-- KICKED!
I'M --LOSING-- IT!!!
DARK GUARDIAN COMMANDER OF MONSTERS
SONIC FAST ON LAND--HOPELESS UNDERWATER

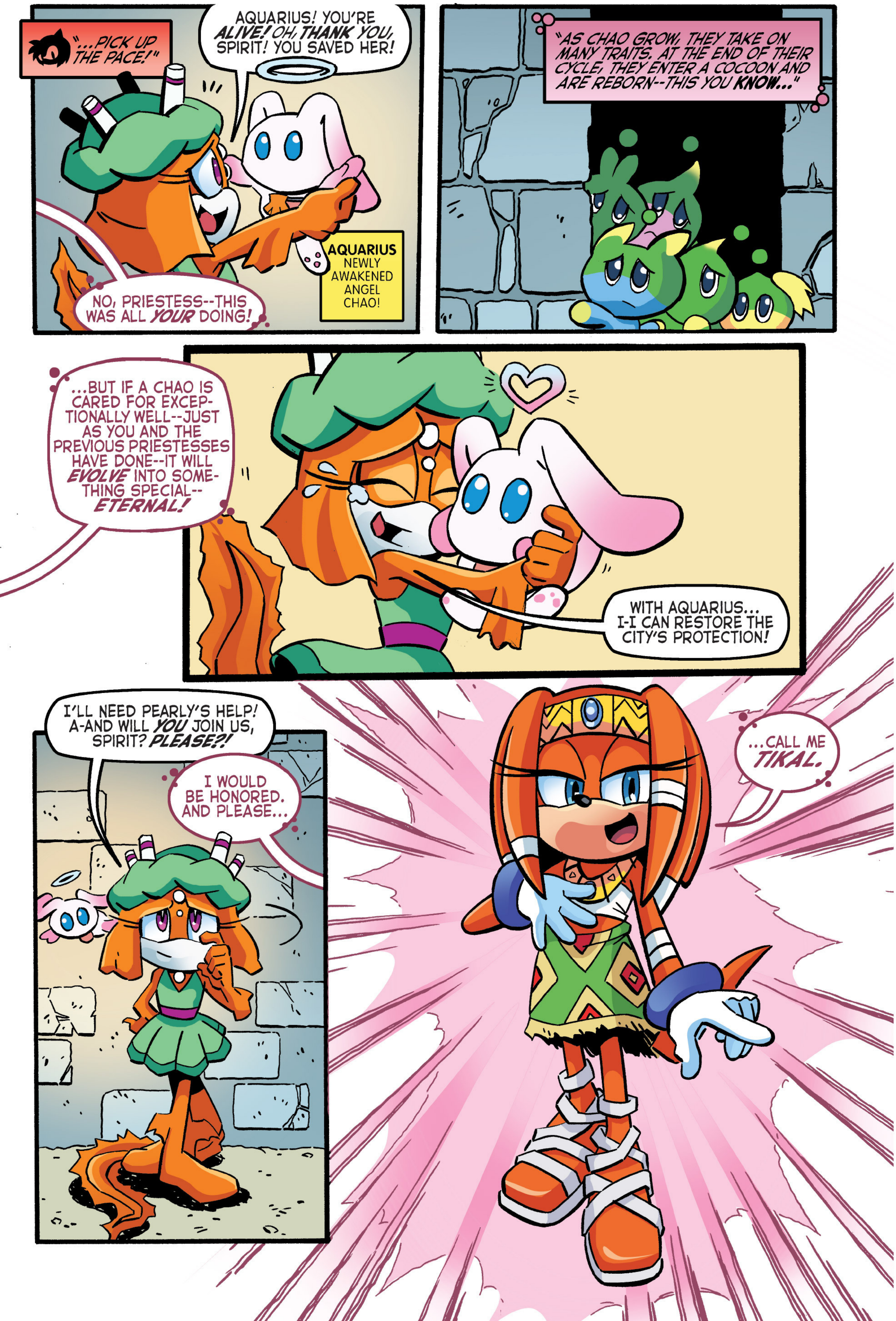

IF I'M-- GOING DOWN-- I'M GONNA --!
RRRORGH!
GLUD
I...WON'T...

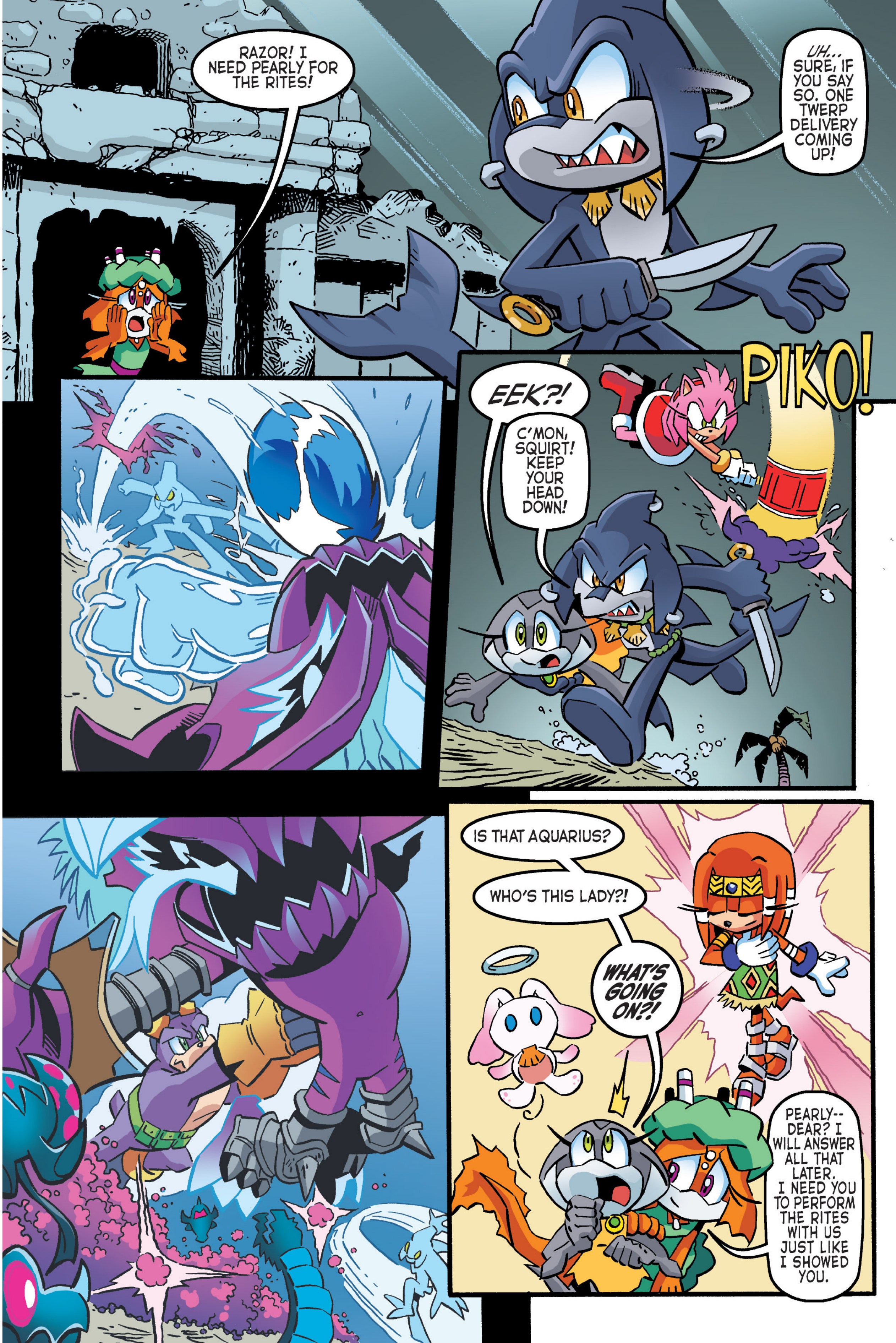

MEANWHILE, IN THE NEARBY EUSEBES SHRINE...
RAZOR! THE AIR CHARMS SONIC AND ROTOR TOOK MIGHT HAVE RUN OUT BY NOW!
PEARLY PRIESTESS IN TRAINING
CRUSHER RAZOR'S CHAO BUDDY
AMY ROSE WARRIOR WOMAN
PIKO!
KINDA GOT MY HANDS FULL HERE, SQUIRT!
POMF!
RAZOR CORAL'S SWORN PROTECTOR
RAZOR--SONIC NEEDS ME! IF I TAKE AN AIR CH--!
GUARD PEARLY AND THE CHAO! I'LL COVER THE TEMPLE! WE HAVE TO HOLD OUT--
MORE ARE COMING THROUGH THE CEILING!

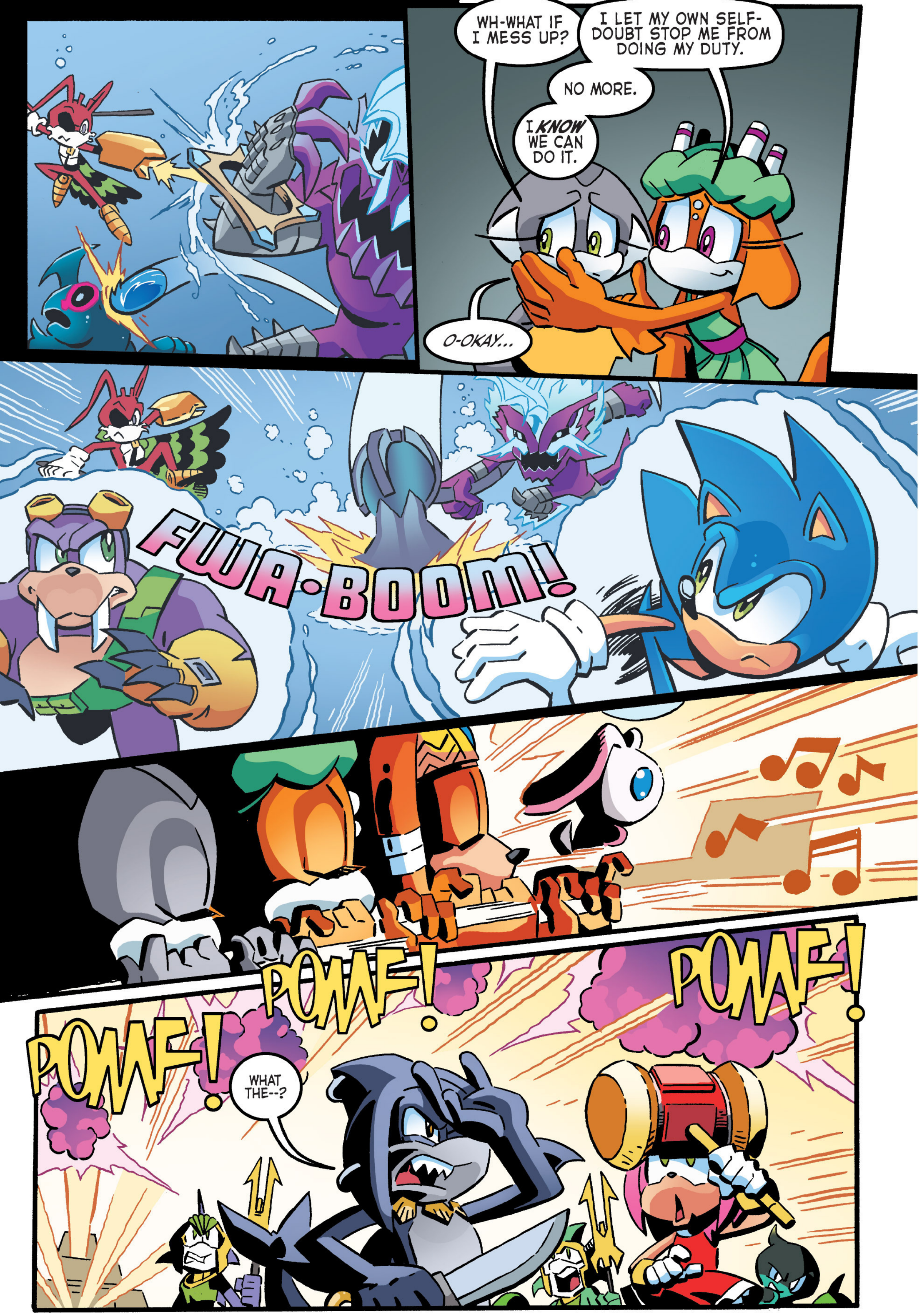

"--UNTIL CORAL FINISHES THE RITES!"
CORAL PRIESTESS UNDER PRESSURE
THE RITES ARE FAILING, THE MYSTIC MELODY ISN'T WORKING... IF ONLY I HADN'T FAILED AQUARIUS...
O SPIRITS! *PLEASE* HEAR ME! PLEASE DON'T LET MY FAILINGS DOOM SO MANY OTHERS! WE NEED A MIRACLE! I'M *BEGGING* YOU!
O PRIESTESS-- FORGIVE *ME* FOR *NOT* ANSWERING YOU SOONER. THE DARK POWERS HINDER SPIRIT AND MORTAL ALIKE.
YOU HAVE FAILED *NO ONE.* AND TAKE HEART...
"...FOR HELP IS ON THE WAY!"
GASP!!!
OH, SNAP!
CHAOS?!
CHAOS THE WATER GOD (SOMETIMES "OF DESTRUCTION")

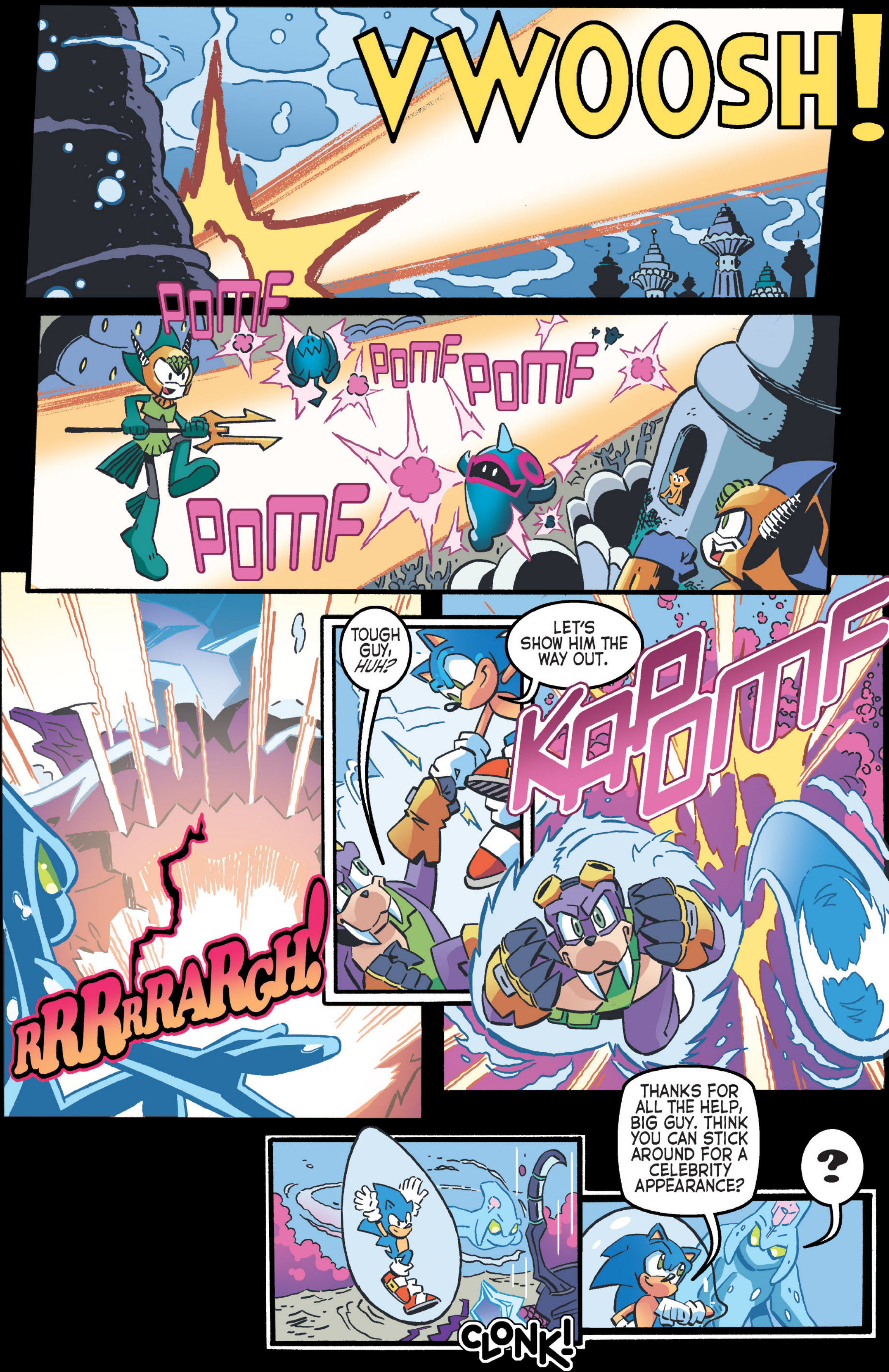

WOO-HOO! GO GET 'EM!
GIVE 'EM A PERFECT BEAT-DOWN!
RRRrRARGH!
FOOOSH!
HE JUST HIT THAT MONSTER WITH THE OCEAN!
OH! OH! THAT'S WHY THE OCEANS DIDN'T DRAIN WHEN THE WORLD BROKE APART! CHAOS IS CONTROLLING IT ALL!
ROTOR? BUDDY? GEEK-OUT LATER, SAVE CITY NOW!
STRIKER THE MANTIS SHRIMP CAPTAIN OF THE CITY GUARD
TH-THAT'S...CHAOS! THE LIVING WAVE! THE GUARDIAN OF CHAO! YOU KNOW CHAOS?!
OH, SURE. I HELPED HIM WITH A THING ONCE.
I GUESS CORAL USED HER CONNECTIONS TO BRING HIM IN. SO TELL ME, CAP'N...


"...YOU *STILL* THINK CORAL'S A LOUSY PRIESTESS?"
NO, CRUSHER! RUN!
GRRRR!
LISTEN TO ME FOR ONCE, DARN IT!
POMF! POMF!
POMF!
SECURE THE TEMPLE! PROTECT THE PRIESTESS! YOU HEARD THE CAPTAIN-- SHOW THE MONSTERS NO MERCY!
LIEUTENANT...ECHO, RIGHT? YOU CAME TO BACK US UP!
CAPTAIN STRIKER SENT US. IT...WOULD HAVE BEEN WRONG FOR US TO LEAVE THE SHRINE TO FEND FOR ITSELF.
WITH YOU HERE, I CAN GO TO SONIC AND--!
YOU'D BE OVERWHELMED BEFORE YOU REACHED THE CITY! I CAN'T SPARE YOU AN ESCORT!
SHE'S RIGHT ...I'M NEEDED *HERE.*
SONIC WILL FIND A WAY--HE ALWAYS DOES.
PIKO!
CORAL, WHATEVER YOU'RE DOING IN THERE...


"...PICK UP THE PACE!"
AQUARIUS! YOU'RE *ALIVE!* OH, *THANK* YOU, SPIRIT! YOU SAVED HER!
NO, PRIESTESS--THIS WAS ALL *YOUR* DOING!
AQUARIUS NEWLY AWAKENED ANGEL CHAO!
"AS CHAO GROW, THEY TAKE ON MANY TRAITS. AT THE END OF THEIR CYCLE, THEY ENTER A COCOON AND ARE REBORN--THIS YOU *KNOW...*"
...BUT IF A CHAO IS CARED FOR EXCEPTIONALLY WELL--JUST AS YOU AND THE PREVIOUS PRIESTESSES HAVE DONE--IT WILL *EVOLVE* INTO SOMETHING SPECIAL--*ETERNAL!*
WITH AQUARIUS... I-I CAN RESTORE THE CITY'S PROTECTION!
I'LL NEED PEARLY'S HELP! A-AND WILL *YOU* JOIN US, SPIRIT? *PLEASE?!*
I WOULD BE HONORED. AND PLEASE...
...CALL ME *TIKAL.*


RAZOR! I NEED PEARLY FOR THE RITES!
UH... SURE, IF YOU SAY SO. ONE TWERP DELIVERY COMING UP!
EEK?!
C'MON, SQUIRT! KEEP YOUR HEAD DOWN!
PIKO!
IS THAT AQUARIUS?
WHO'S THIS LADY?!
WHAT'S GOING ON?!
PEARLY--DEAR? I WILL ANSWER ALL THAT LATER. I NEED YOU TO PERFORM THE RITES WITH US JUST LIKE I SHOWED YOU.


WH-WHAT IF I MESS UP?
I LET MY OWN SELF-DOUBT STOP ME FROM DOING MY DUTY.
NO MORE.
I *KNOW* WE CAN DO IT.
O-OKAY...
FWA-BOOM!
POWF!
POWF!
POWF!
WHAT THE--?


VWOOSH!
POMF
POMF POMF
POMF
RRRrRARGH!
TOUGH GUY, *HUH?*
LET'S SHOW HIM THE WAY OUT.
KAPOMF
CLONK!
THANKS FOR ALL THE HELP, BIG GUY. THINK YOU CAN STICK AROUND FOR A CELEBRITY APPEARANCE?
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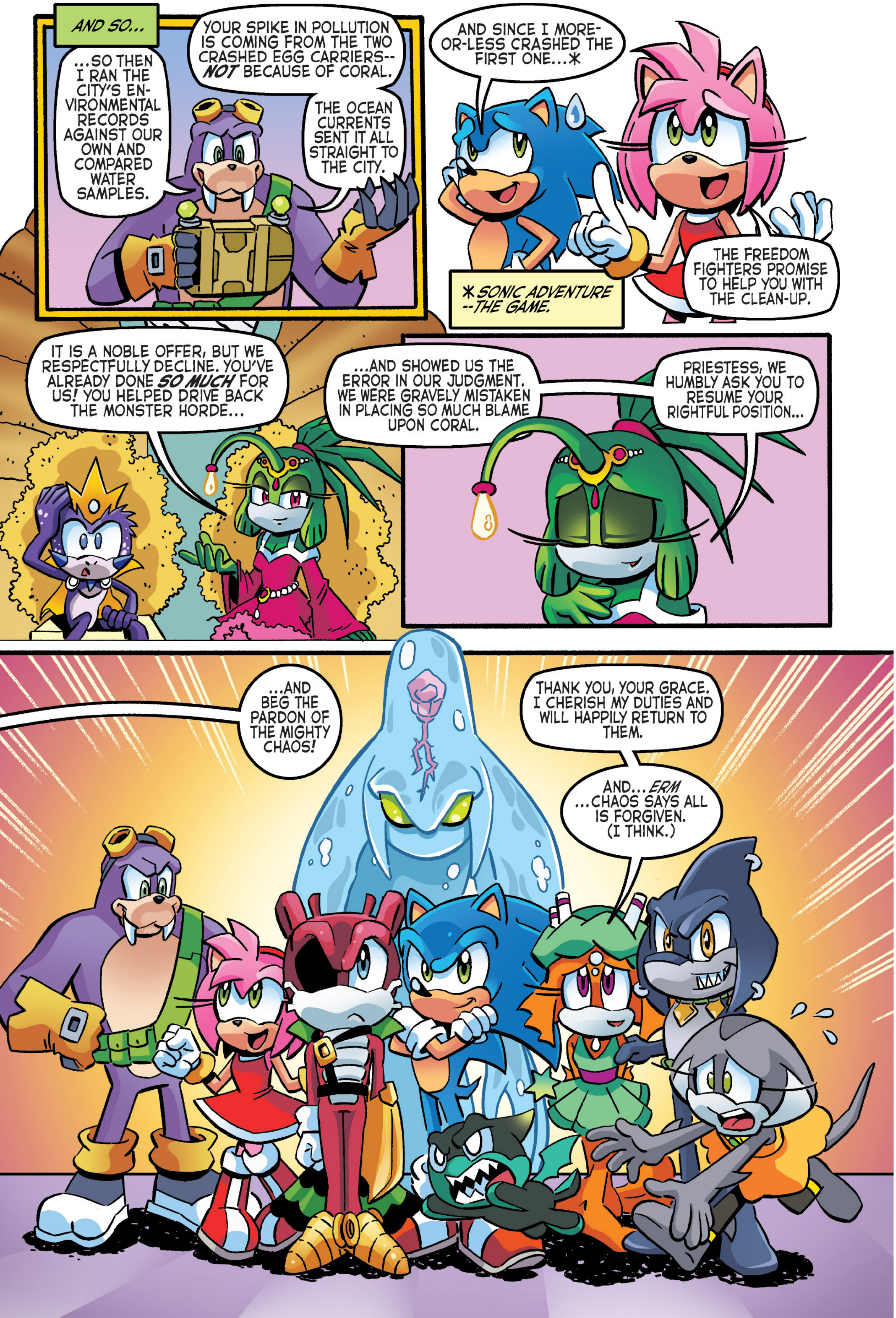
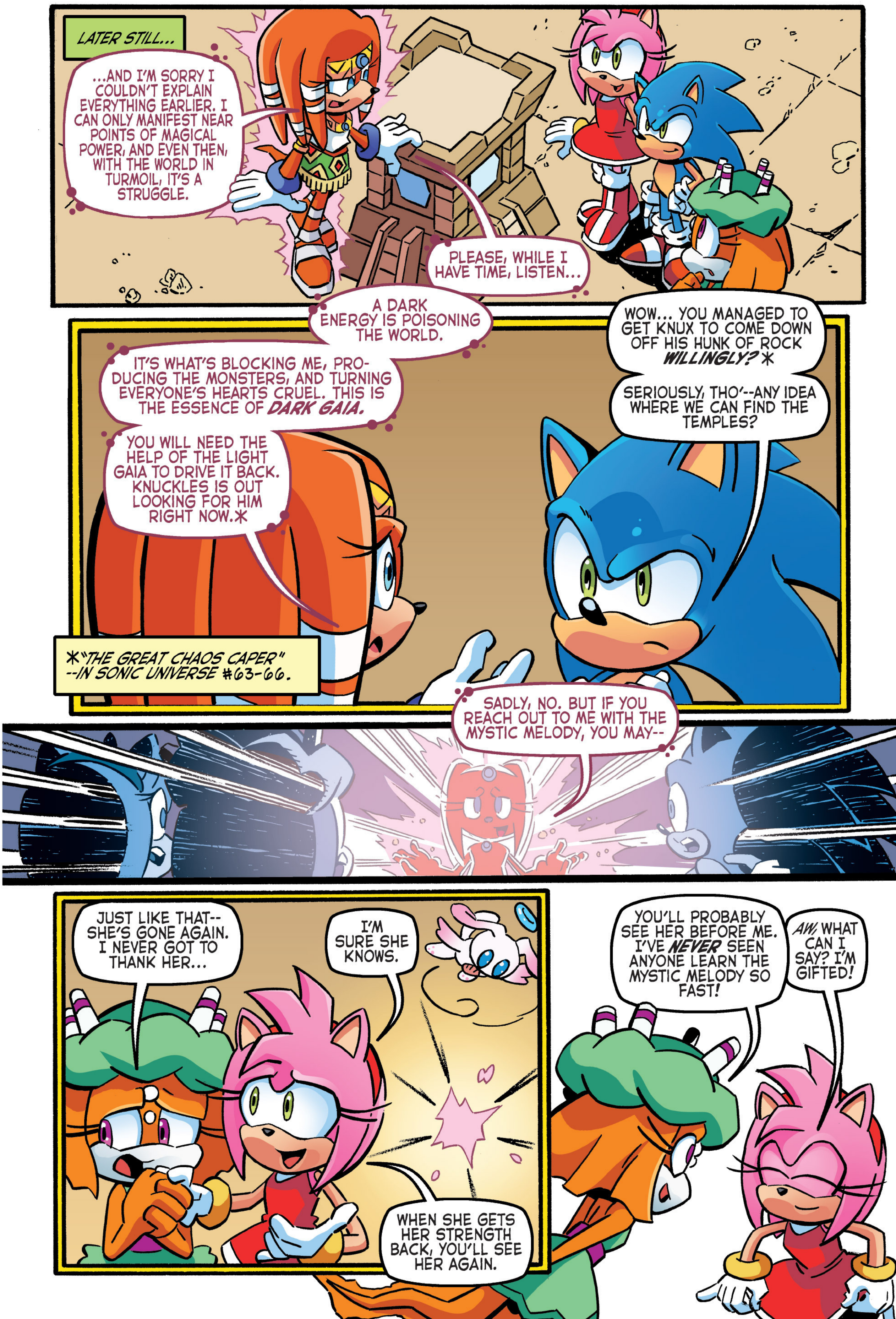
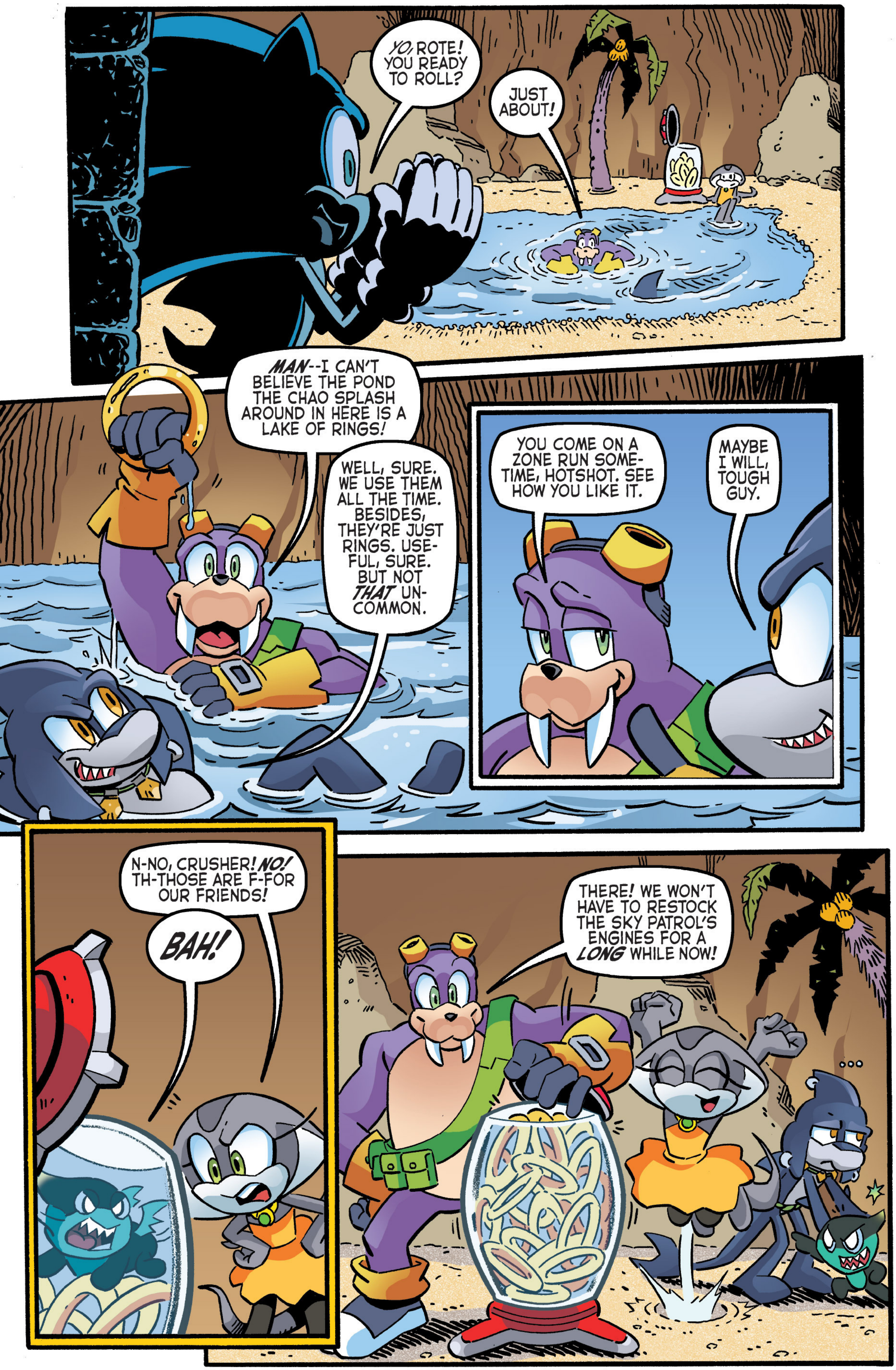

AND SO...
...SO THEN I RAN THE CITY'S ENVIRONMENTAL RECORDS AGAINST OUR OWN AND COMPARED WATER SAMPLES.
YOUR SPIKE IN POLLUTION IS COMING FROM THE TWO CRASHED EGG CARRIERS-- *NOT* BECAUSE OF CORAL.
THE OCEAN CURRENTS SENT IT ALL STRAIGHT TO THE CITY.
AND SINCE I MORE-OR-LESS CRASHED THE FIRST ONE...*
*SONIC ADVENTURE --THE GAME.
THE FREEDOM FIGHTERS PROMISE TO HELP YOU WITH THE CLEAN-UP.
IT IS A NOBLE OFFER, BUT WE RESPECTFULLY DECLINE. YOU'VE ALREADY DONE *SO MUCH* FOR US! YOU HELPED DRIVE BACK THE MONSTER HORDE...
...AND SHOWED US THE ERROR IN OUR JUDGMENT. WE WERE GRAVELY MISTAKEN IN PLACING SO MUCH BLAME UPON CORAL.
PRIESTESS, WE HUMBLY ASK YOU TO RESUME YOUR RIGHTFUL POSITION...
...AND BEG THE PARDON OF THE MIGHTY CHAOS!
THANK YOU, YOUR GRACE. I CHERISH MY DUTIES AND WILL HAPPILY RETURN TO THEM.
AND... *ERM* ...CHAOS SAYS ALL IS FORGIVEN. (I THINK.)


LATER STILL...
...AND I'M SORRY I COULDN'T EXPLAIN EVERYTHING EARLIER. I CAN ONLY MANIFEST NEAR POINTS OF MAGICAL POWER, AND EVEN THEN, WITH THE WORLD IN TURMOIL, IT'S A STRUGGLE.
PLEASE, WHILE I HAVE TIME, LISTEN...
A DARK ENERGY IS POISONING THE WORLD.
IT'S WHAT'S BLOCKING ME, PRODUCING THE MONSTERS, AND TURNING EVERYONE'S HEARTS CRUEL. THIS IS THE ESSENCE OF *DARK GAIA.*
YOU WILL NEED THE HELP OF THE LIGHT GAIA TO DRIVE IT BACK. KNUCKLES IS OUT LOOKING FOR HIM RIGHT NOW.*
WOW... YOU MANAGED TO GET KNUX TO COME DOWN OFF HIS HUNK OF ROCK *WILLINGLY?* *
SERIOUSLY, THO'--ANY IDEA WHERE WE CAN FIND THE TEMPLES?
*"THE GREAT CHAOS CAPER" --IN SONIC UNIVERSE #63-66.
SADLY, NO. BUT IF YOU REACH OUT TO ME WITH THE MYSTIC MELODY, YOU MAY--
JUST LIKE THAT--SHE'S GONE AGAIN. I NEVER GOT TO THANK HER...
I'M SURE SHE KNOWS.
WHEN SHE GETS HER STRENGTH BACK, YOU'LL SEE HER AGAIN.
YOU'LL PROBABLY SEE HER BEFORE ME. I'VE *NEVER* SEEN ANYONE LEARN THE MYSTIC MELODY SO FAST!
AW, WHAT CAN I SAY? I'M GIFTED!


YO, ROTE! YOU READY TO ROLL?
JUST ABOUT!
MAN--I CAN'T BELIEVE THE POND THE CHAO SPLASH AROUND IN HERE IS A LAKE OF RINGS!
WELL, SURE. WE USE THEM ALL THE TIME. BESIDES, THEY'RE JUST RINGS. USEFUL, SURE. BUT NOT THAT UNCOMMON.
YOU COME ON A ZONE RUN SOMETIME, HOTSHOT. SEE HOW YOU LIKE IT.
MAYBE I WILL, TOUGH GUY.
N-NO, CRUSHER! NO! TH-THOSE ARE F-FOR OUR FRIENDS!
BAH!
THERE! WE WON'T HAVE TO RESTOCK THE SKY PATROL'S ENGINES FOR A LONG WHILE NOW!
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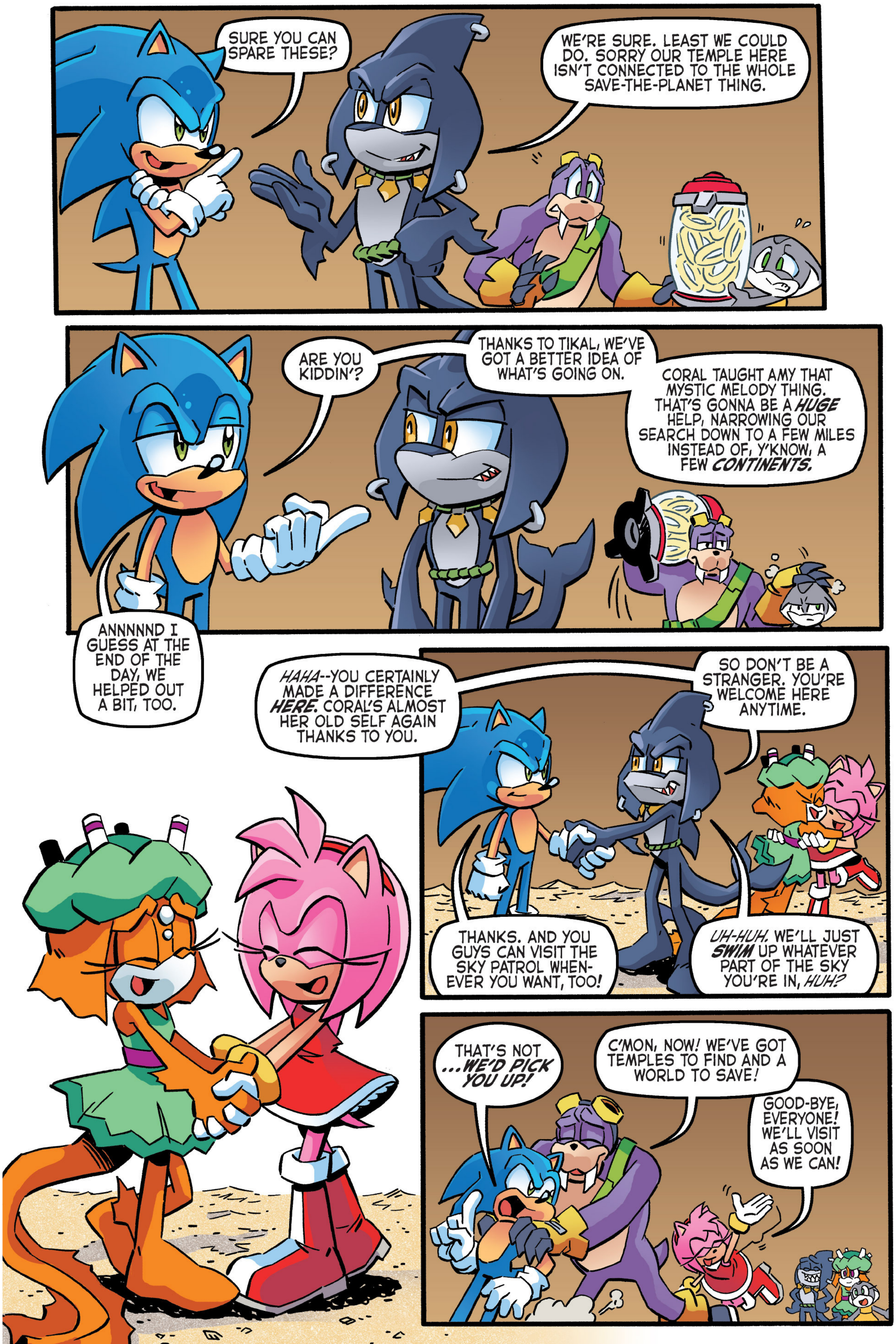
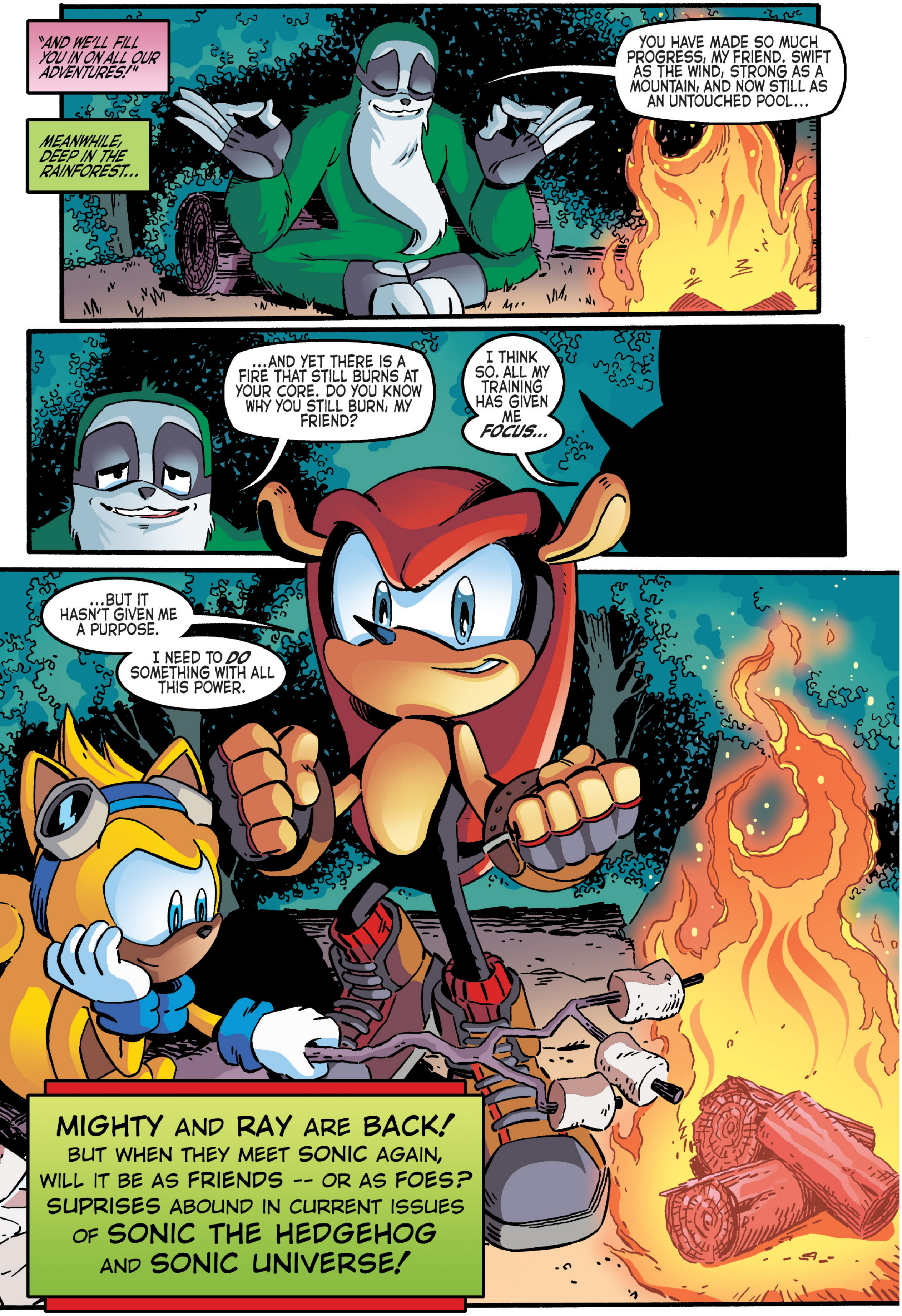

SURE YOU CAN SPARE THESE?
WE'RE SURE. LEAST WE COULD DO. SORRY OUR TEMPLE HERE ISN'T CONNECTED TO THE WHOLE SAVE-THE-PLANET THING.
ARE YOU KIDDIN'?
THANKS TO TIKAL, WE'VE GOT A BETTER IDEA OF WHAT'S GOING ON.
CORAL TAUGHT AMY THAT MYSTIC MELODY THING. THAT'S GONNA BE A *HUGE* HELP, NARROWING OUR SEARCH DOWN TO A FEW MILES INSTEAD OF, Y'KNOW, A FEW *CONTINENTS.*
ANNNNND I GUESS AT THE END OF THE DAY, WE HELPED OUT A BIT, TOO.
HAHA--YOU CERTAINLY MADE A DIFFERENCE *HERE.* CORAL'S ALMOST HER OLD SELF AGAIN THANKS TO YOU.
SO DON'T BE A STRANGER. YOU'RE WELCOME HERE ANYTIME.
THANKS. AND YOU GUYS CAN VISIT THE SKY PATROL WHENEVER YOU WANT, TOO!
UH-HUH. WE'LL JUST *SWIM* UP WHATEVER PART OF THE SKY YOU'RE IN, *HUH?*
THAT'S NOT *...WE'D PICK YOU UP!*
C'MON, NOW! WE'VE GOT TEMPLES TO FIND AND A WORLD TO SAVE!
GOOD-BYE, EVERYONE! WE'LL VISIT AS SOON AS WE CAN!


"AND WE'LL FILL YOU IN ON ALL OUR ADVENTURES!"
MEANWHILE, DEEP IN THE RAINFOREST...
YOU HAVE MADE SO MUCH PROGRESS, MY FRIEND. SWIFT AS THE WIND, STRONG AS A MOUNTAIN, AND NOW STILL AS AN UNTOUCHED POOL...
...AND YET THERE IS A FIRE THAT STILL BURNS AT YOUR CORE. DO YOU KNOW WHY YOU STILL BURN, MY FRIEND?
I THINK SO. ALL MY TRAINING HAS GIVEN ME *FOCUS...*
...BUT IT HASN'T GIVEN ME A PURPOSE.
I NEED TO *DO* SOMETHING WITH ALL THIS POWER.

MIGHTY AND RAY ARE BACK!
BUT WHEN THEY MEET SONIC AGAIN,
WILL IT BE AS FRIENDS -- OR AS FOES?
SUPRISES ABOUND IN CURRENT ISSUES
OF **SONIC THE HEDGEHOG**
AND **SONIC UNIVERSE!**

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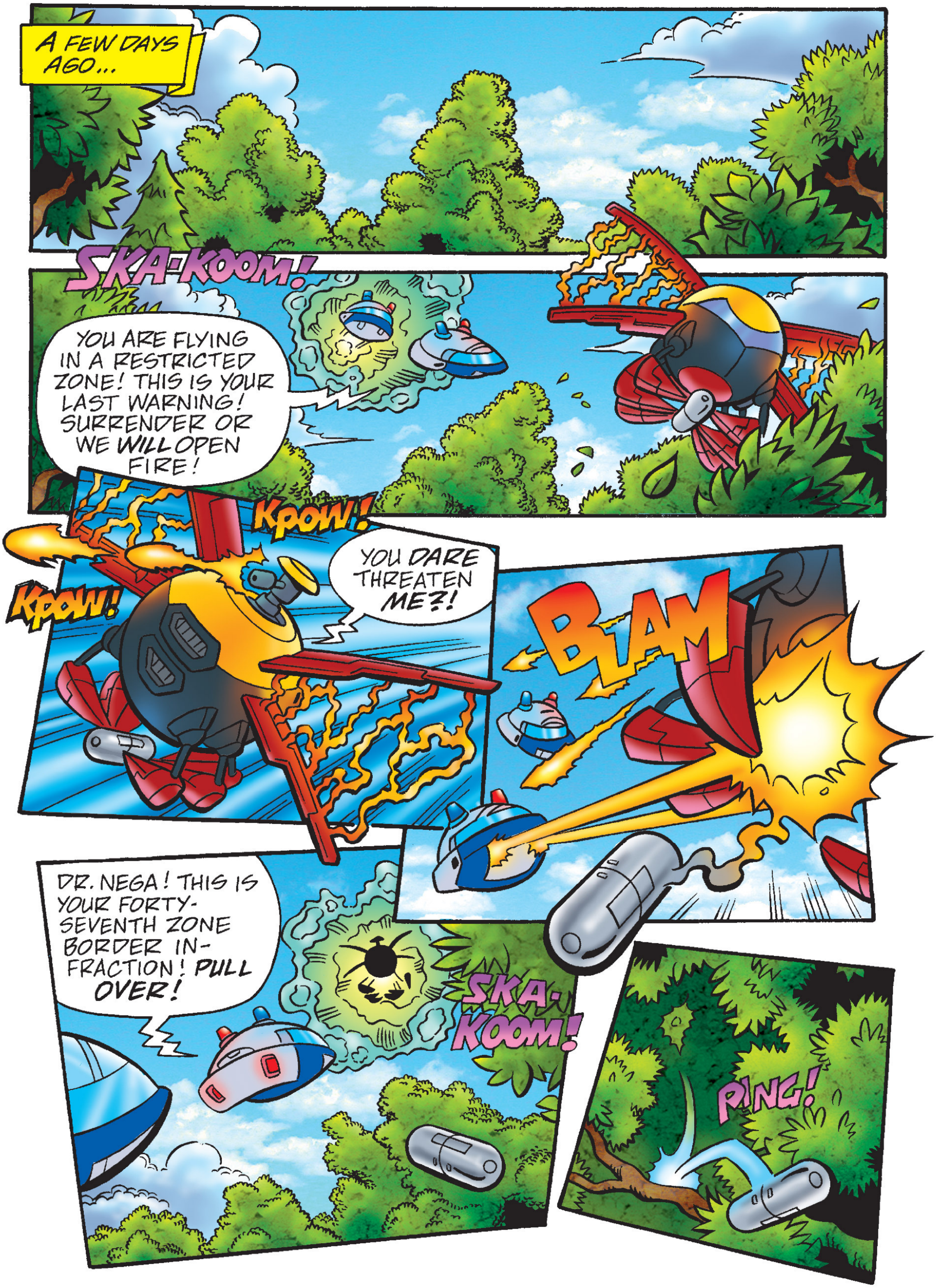
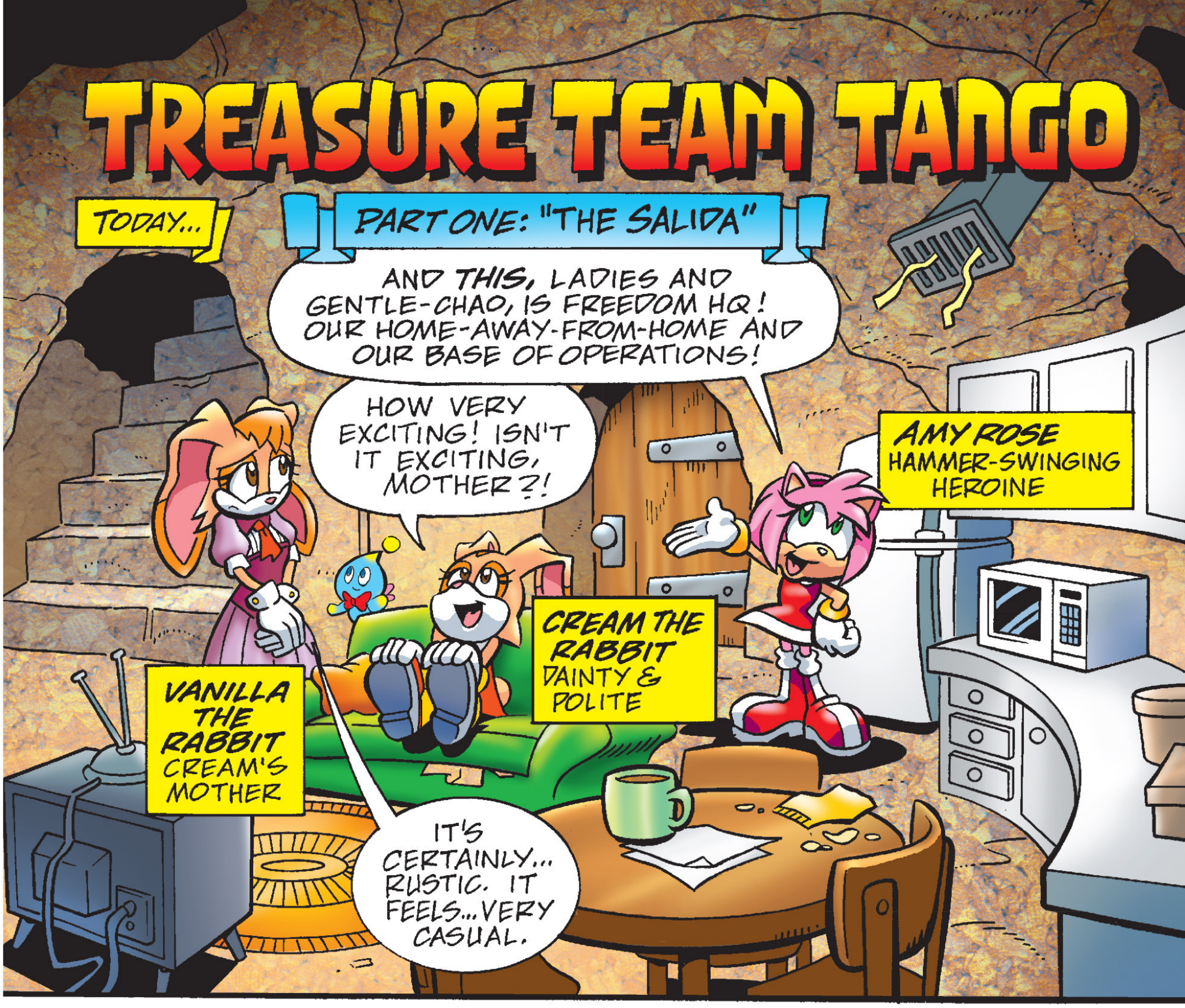

A FEW DAYS AGO...
SKA-KOOM!
YOU ARE FLYING IN A RESTRICTED ZONE! THIS IS YOUR LAST WARNING! SURRENDER OR WE WILL OPEN FIRE!
KPOW!
KPOW!
YOU DARE THREATEN ME?!
BLAM
DR. NEGA! THIS IS YOUR FORTY-SEVENTH ZONE BORDER INFRACTION! PULL OVER!
SKA-KOOM!
PING!

TREASURE TEAM TANGO

PART ONE: "THE SALIDA"


TODAY...
AND THIS, LADIES AND GENTLE-CHAO, IS FREEDOM HQ! OUR HOME-AWAY-FROM-HOME AND OUR BASE OF OPERATIONS!
HOW VERY EXCITING! ISN'T IT EXCITING, MOTHER?!
AMY ROSE HAMMER-SWINGING HEROINE
CREAM THE RABBIT DAINTY & POLITE
VANILLA THE RABBIT CREAM'S MOTHER
IT'S CERTAINLY... RUSTIC. IT FEELS...VERY CASUAL.

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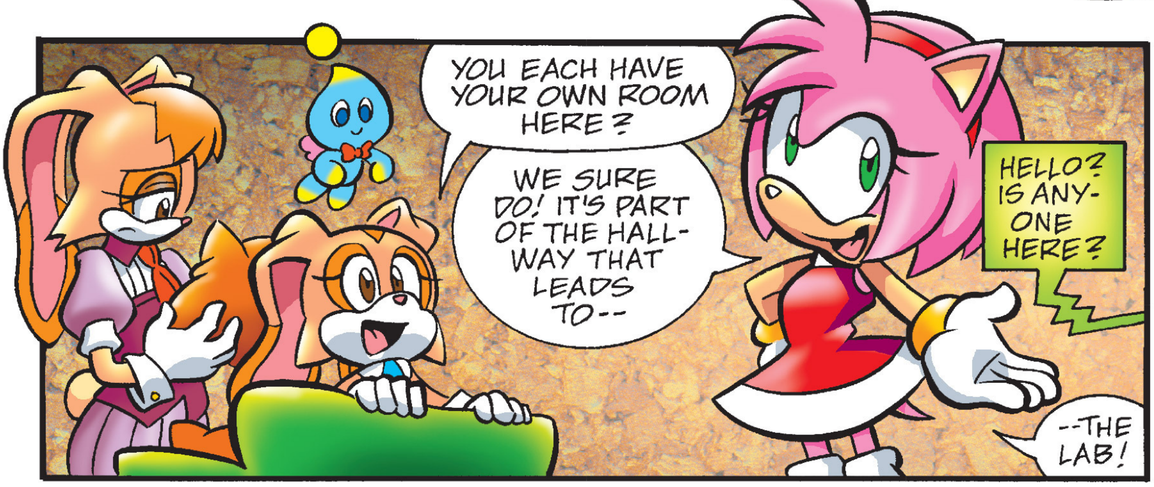
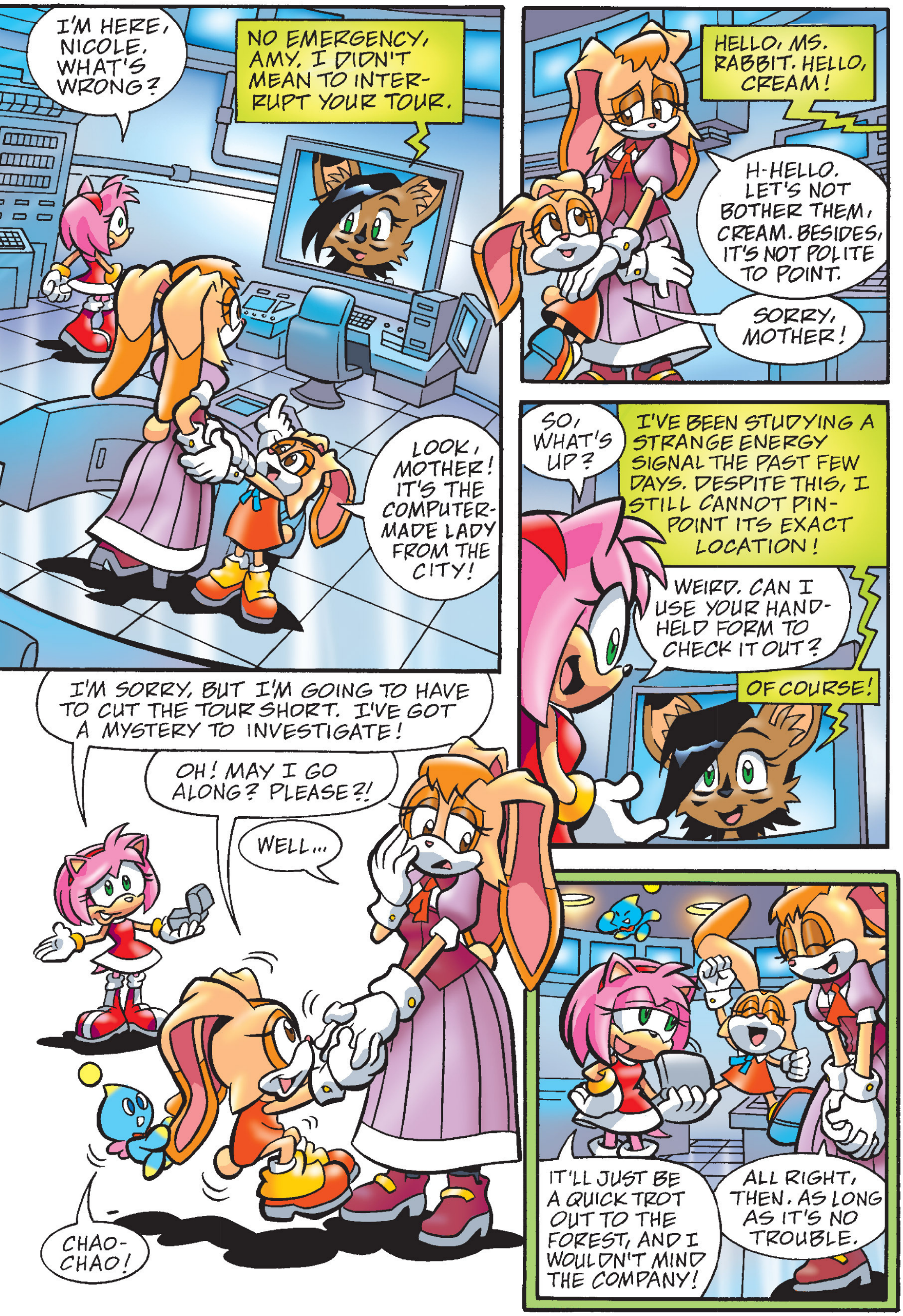
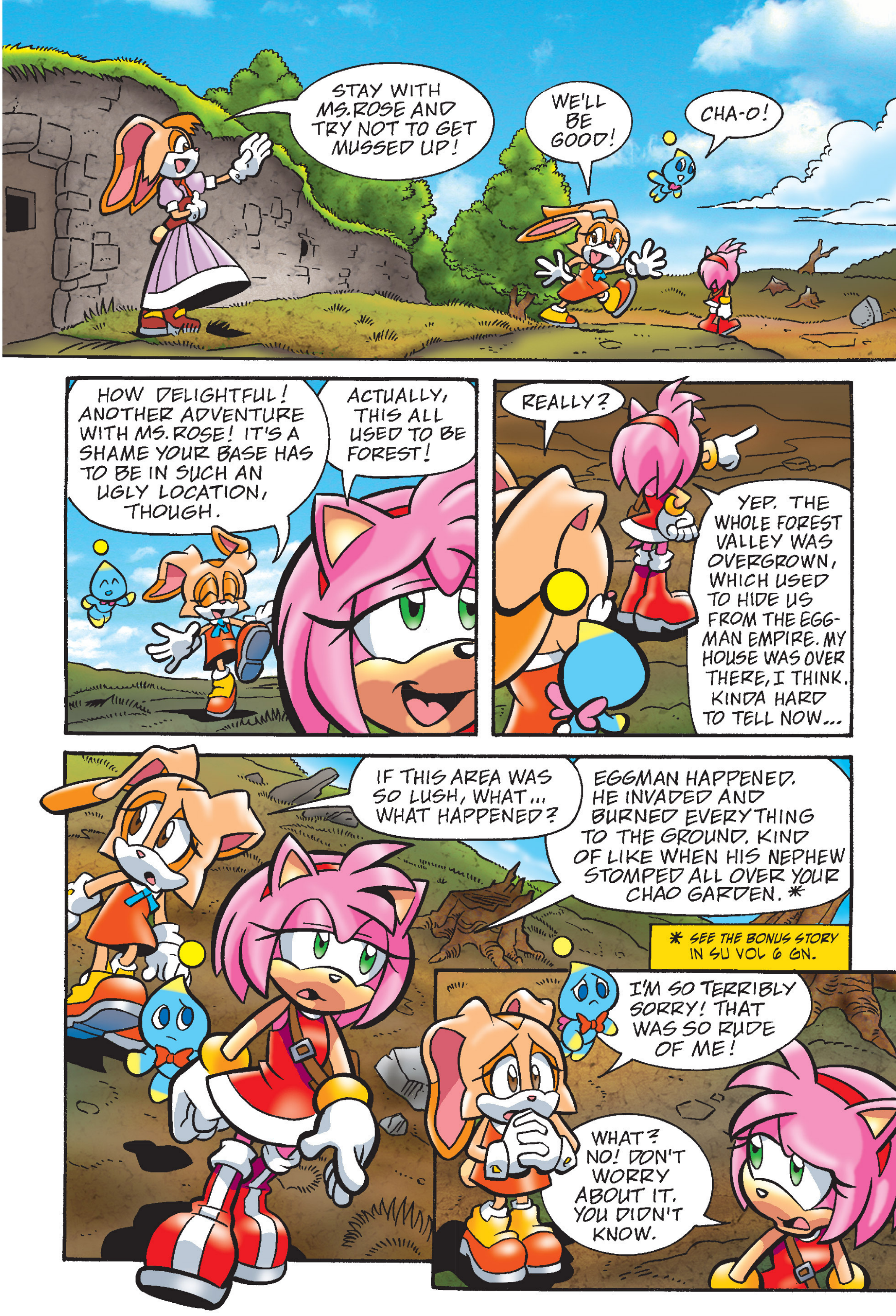
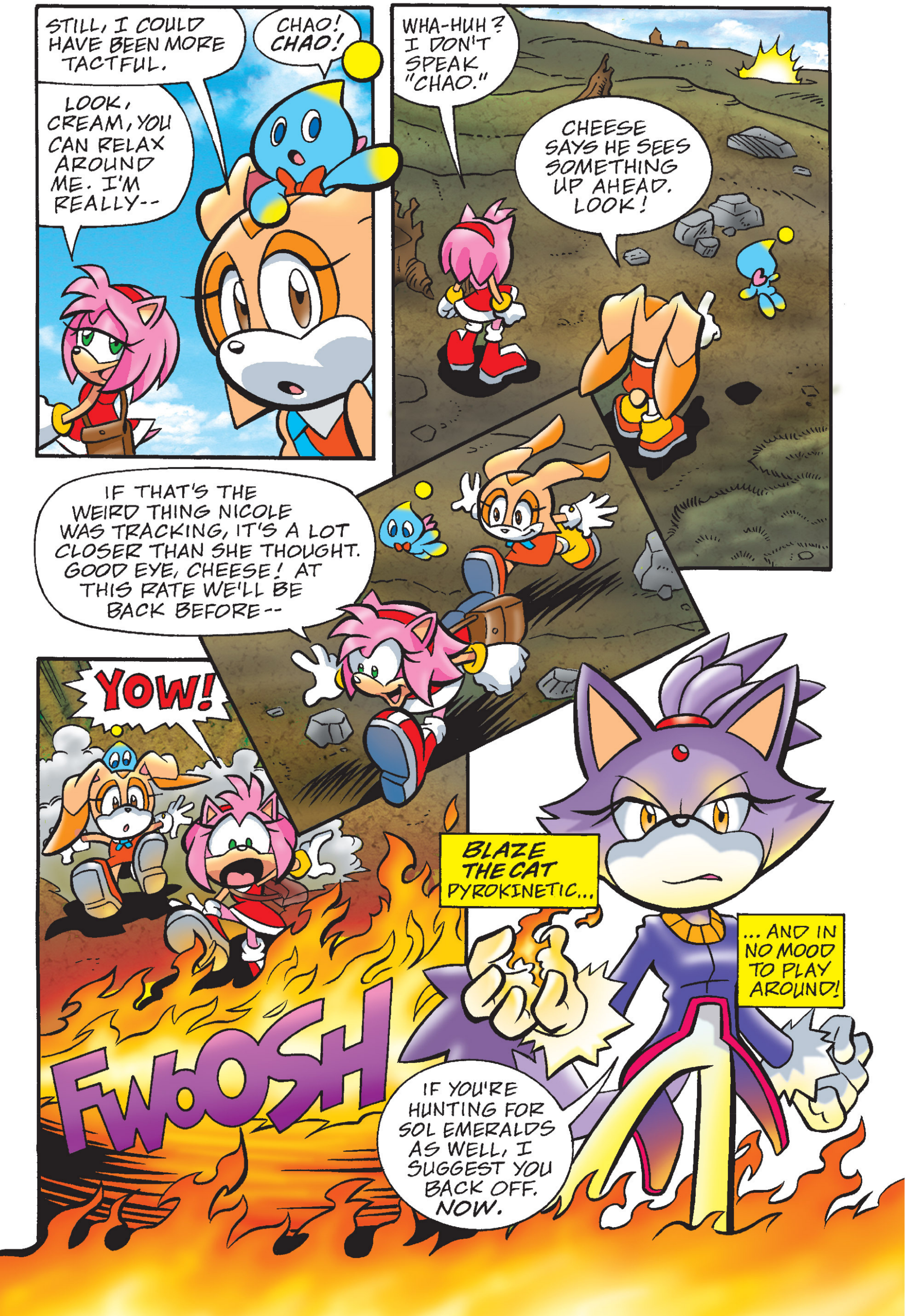
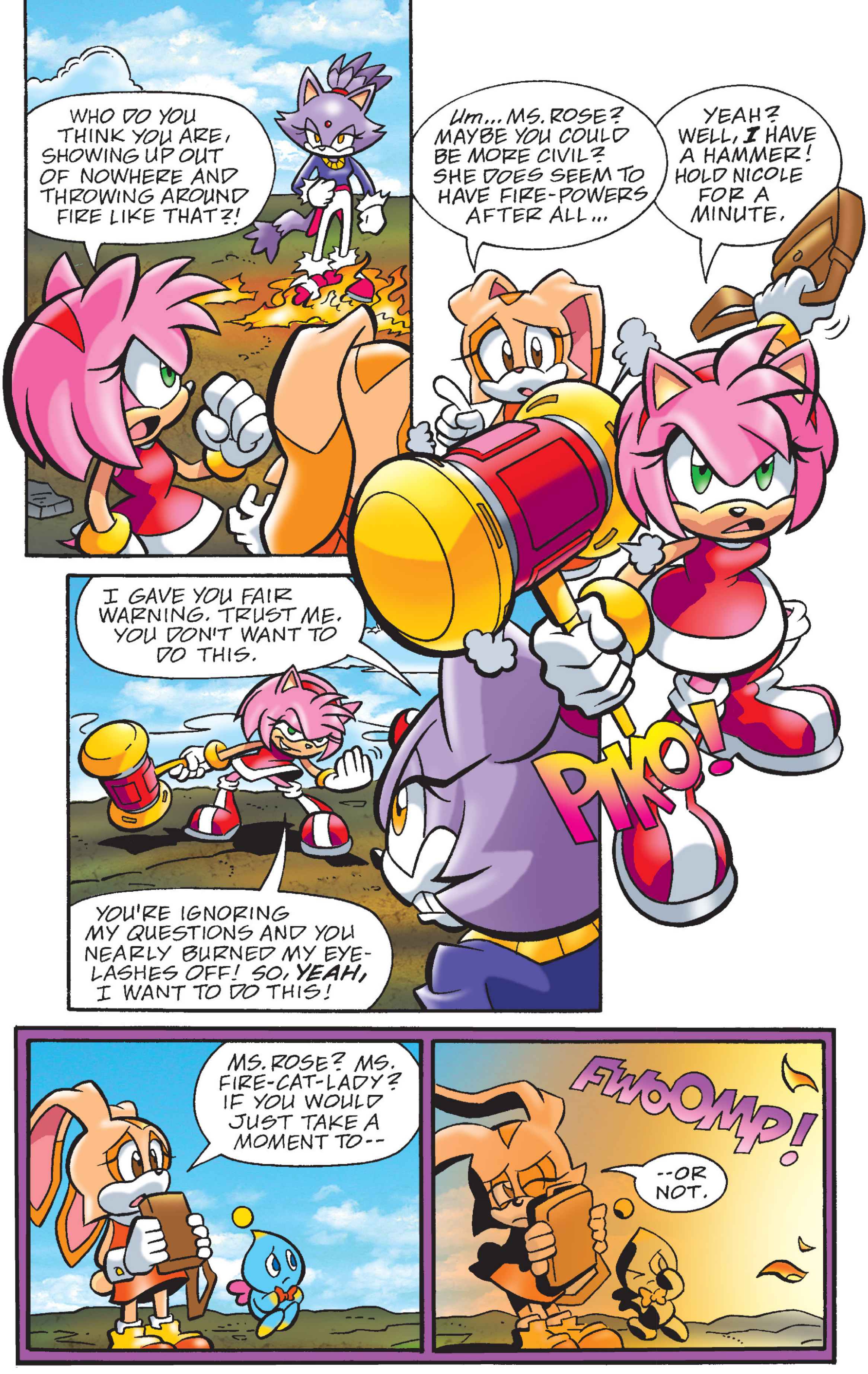
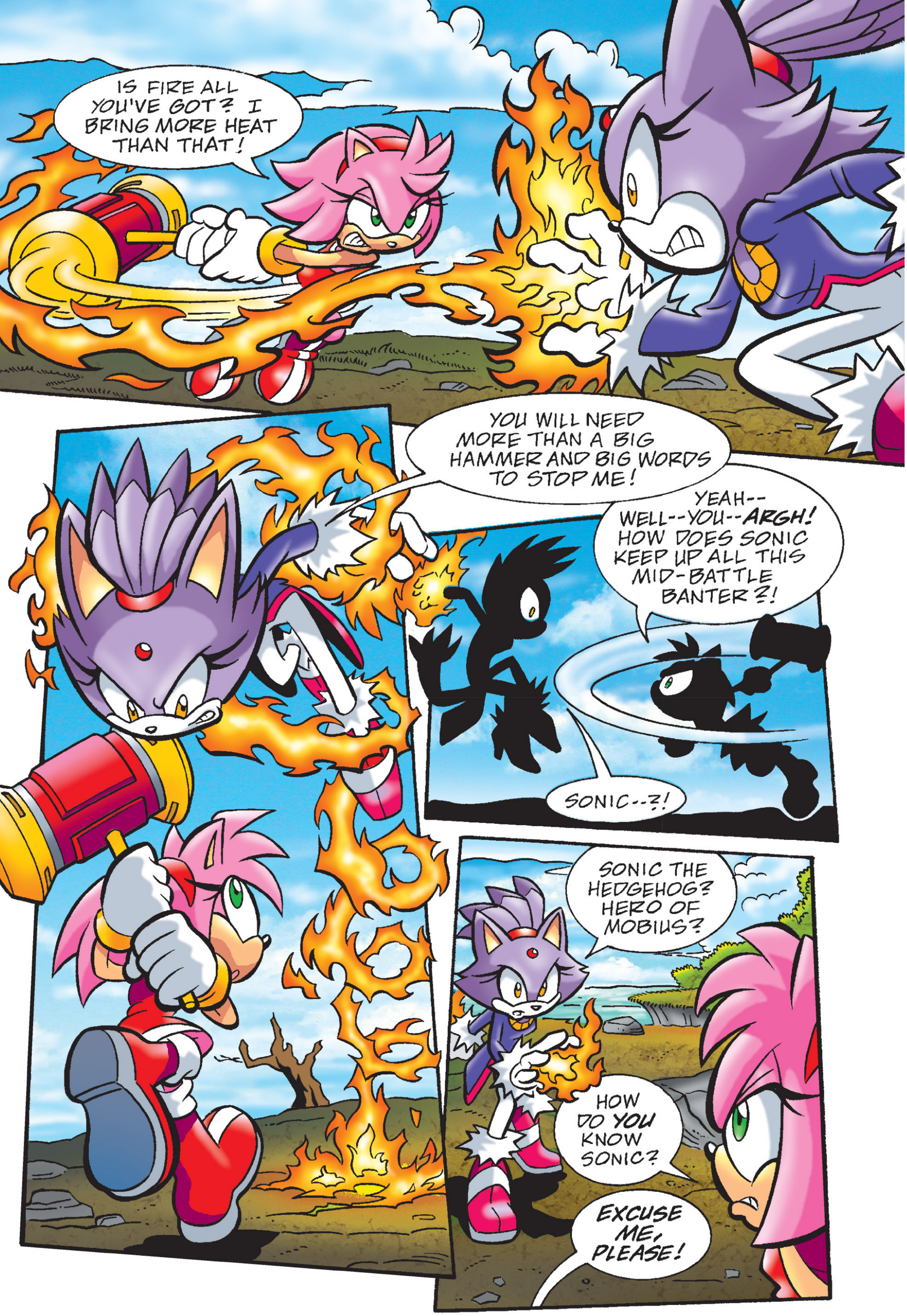

YOU EACH HAVE YOUR OWN ROOM HERE?
WE SURE DO! IT'S PART OF THE HALLWAY THAT LEADS TO--
HELLO? IS ANYONE HERE?
--THE LAB!

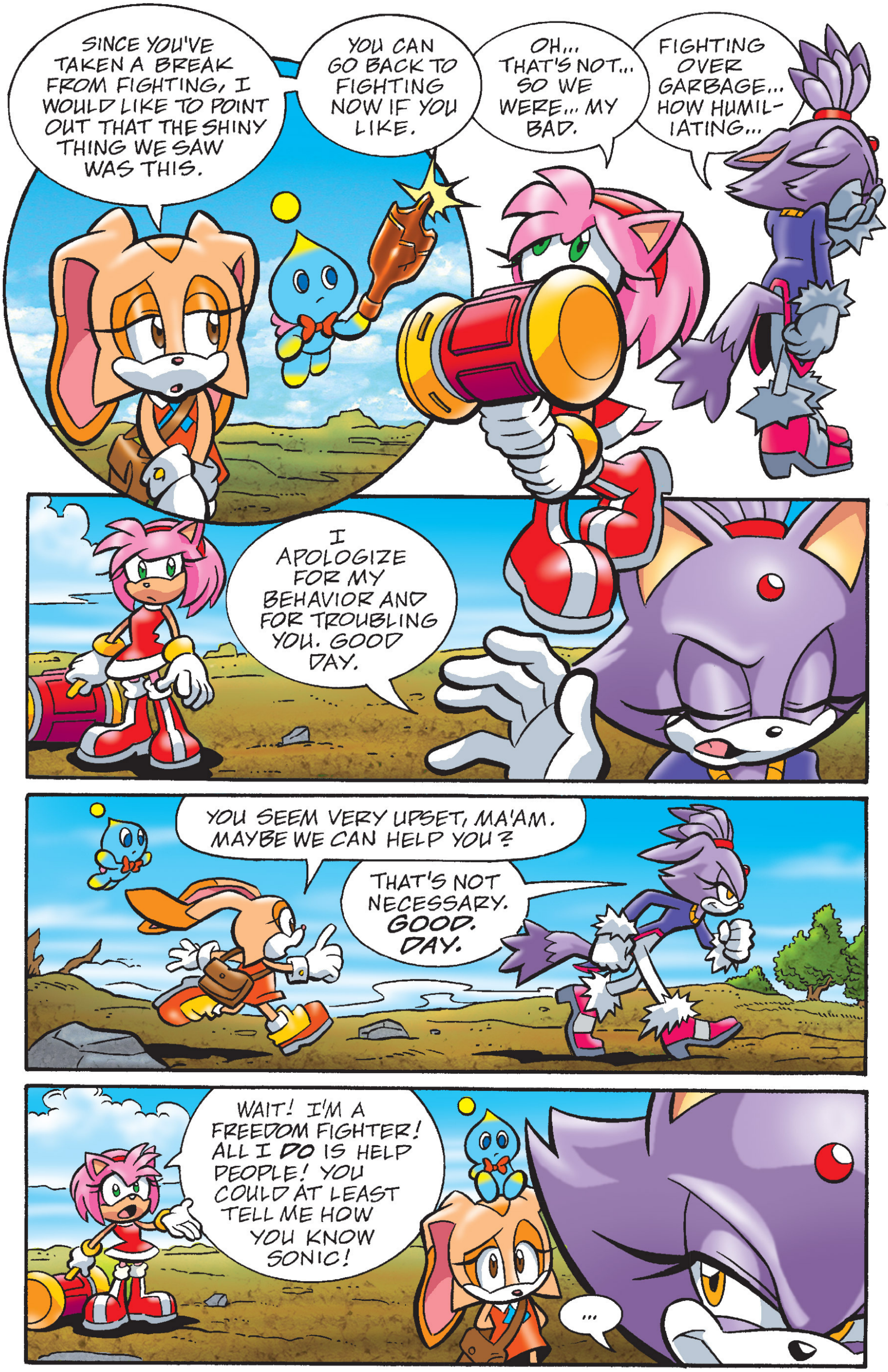

I'M HERE, NICOLE. WHAT'S WRONG?
NO EMERGENCY, AMY. I DIDN'T MEAN TO INTERRUPT YOUR TOUR.
LOOK, MOTHER! IT'S THE COMPUTER-MADE LADY FROM THE CITY!
HELLO, MS. RABBIT. HELLO, CREAM!
H-HELLO. LET'S NOT BOTHER THEM, CREAM. BESIDES, IT'S NOT POLITE TO POINT.
SORRY, MOTHER!
SO, WHAT'S UP?
I'VE BEEN STUDYING A STRANGE ENERGY SIGNAL THE PAST FEW DAYS. DESPITE THIS, I STILL CANNOT PINPOINT ITS EXACT LOCATION!
WEIRD. CAN I USE YOUR HAND-HELD FORM TO CHECK IT OUT?
OF COURSE!
I'M SORRY, BUT I'M GOING TO HAVE TO CUT THE TOUR SHORT. I'VE GOT A MYSTERY TO INVESTIGATE!
OH! MAY I GO ALONG? PLEASE?!
WELL...
CHAO-CHAO!
IT'LL JUST BE A QUICK TROT OUT TO THE FOREST, AND I WOULDN'T MIND THE COMPANY!
ALL RIGHT, THEN. AS LONG AS IT'S NO TROUBLE.]


STAY WITH MS. ROSE AND TRY NOT TO GET MUSSED UP!
WE'LL BE GOOD!
CHA-O!
HOW DELIGHTFUL! ANOTHER ADVENTURE WITH MS. ROSE! IT'S A SHAME YOUR BASE HAS TO BE IN SUCH AN UGLY LOCATION, THOUGH.
ACTUALLY, THIS ALL USED TO BE FOREST!
REALLY?
YEP. THE WHOLE FOREST VALLEY WAS OVERGROWN, WHICH USED TO HIDE US FROM THE EGGMAN EMPIRE. MY HOUSE WAS OVER THERE, I THINK. KINDA HARD TO TELL NOW...
IF THIS AREA WAS SO LUSH, WHAT... WHAT HAPPENED?
EGGMAN HAPPENED. HE INVADED AND BURNED EVERYTHING TO THE GROUND. KIND OF LIKE WHEN HIS NEPHEW STOMPED ALL OVER YOUR CHAO GARDEN. *
* SEE THE BONUS STORY IN SU VOL 6 GN.
I'M SO TERRIBLY SORRY! THAT WAS SO RUDE OF ME!
WHAT? NO! DON'T WORRY ABOUT IT. YOU DIDN'T KNOW.


STILL, I COULD HAVE BEEN MORE TACTFUL.
CHAO! CHAO!
LOOK, CREAM, YOU CAN RELAX AROUND ME. I'M REALLY--
WHA-HUH? I DON'T SPEAK "CHAO."
CHEESE SAYS HE SEES SOMETHING UP AHEAD. LOOK!
IF THAT'S THE WEIRD THING NICOLE WAS TRACKING, IT'S A LOT CLOSER THAN SHE THOUGHT. GOOD EYE, CHEESE! AT THIS RATE WE'LL BE BACK BEFORE--
YOW!
FWOOSH
BLAZE THE CAT PYROKINETIC...
...AND IN NO MOOD TO PLAY AROUND!
IF YOU'RE HUNTING FOR SOL EMERALDS AS WELL, I SUGGEST YOU BACK OFF. NOW.


WHO DO YOU THINK YOU ARE, SHOWING UP OUT OF NOWHERE AND THROWING AROUND FIRE LIKE THAT?!
Um... MS. ROSE? MAYBE YOU COULD BE MORE CIVIL? SHE DOES SEEM TO HAVE FIRE-POWERS AFTER ALL...
YEAH? WELL, *I* HAVE A HAMMER! HOLD NICOLE FOR A MINUTE.
I GAVE YOU FAIR WARNING. TRUST ME. YOU DON'T WANT TO DO THIS.
YOU'RE IGNORING MY QUESTIONS AND YOU NEARLY BURNED MY EYELASHES OFF! SO, *YEAH,* I WANT TO DO THIS!
PIKO!
MS. ROSE? MS. FIRE-CAT-LADY? IF YOU WOULD JUST TAKE A MOMENT TO--
FWOOMP!
--OR NOT.


IS FIRE ALL YOU'VE GOT? I BRING MORE HEAT THAN THAT!
YOU WILL NEED MORE THAN A BIG HAMMER AND BIG WORDS TO STOP ME!
YEAH-- WELL--YOU--**ARGH!** HOW DOES SONIC KEEP UP ALL THIS MID-BATTLE BANTER?!
SONIC--?!
SONIC THE HEDGEHOG? HERO OF MOBIUS?
HOW DO ***YOU*** KNOW SONIC?
EXCUSE ME, PLEASE!


SINCE YOU'VE TAKEN A BREAK FROM FIGHTING, I WOULD LIKE TO POINT OUT THAT THE SHINY THING WE SAW WAS THIS.
YOU CAN GO BACK TO FIGHTING NOW IF YOU LIKE.
OH... THAT'S NOT... SO WE WERE... MY BAD.
FIGHTING OVER GARBAGE... HOW HUMILIATING...
I APOLOGIZE FOR MY BEHAVIOR AND FOR TROUBLING YOU. GOOD DAY.
YOU SEEM VERY UPSET, MA'AM. MAYBE WE CAN HELP YOU?
THAT'S NOT NECESSARY. ***GOOD. DAY.***
WAIT! I'M A FREEDOM FIGHTER! ALL I ***DO*** IS HELP PEOPLE! YOU COULD AT LEAST TELL ME HOW YOU KNOW SONIC!
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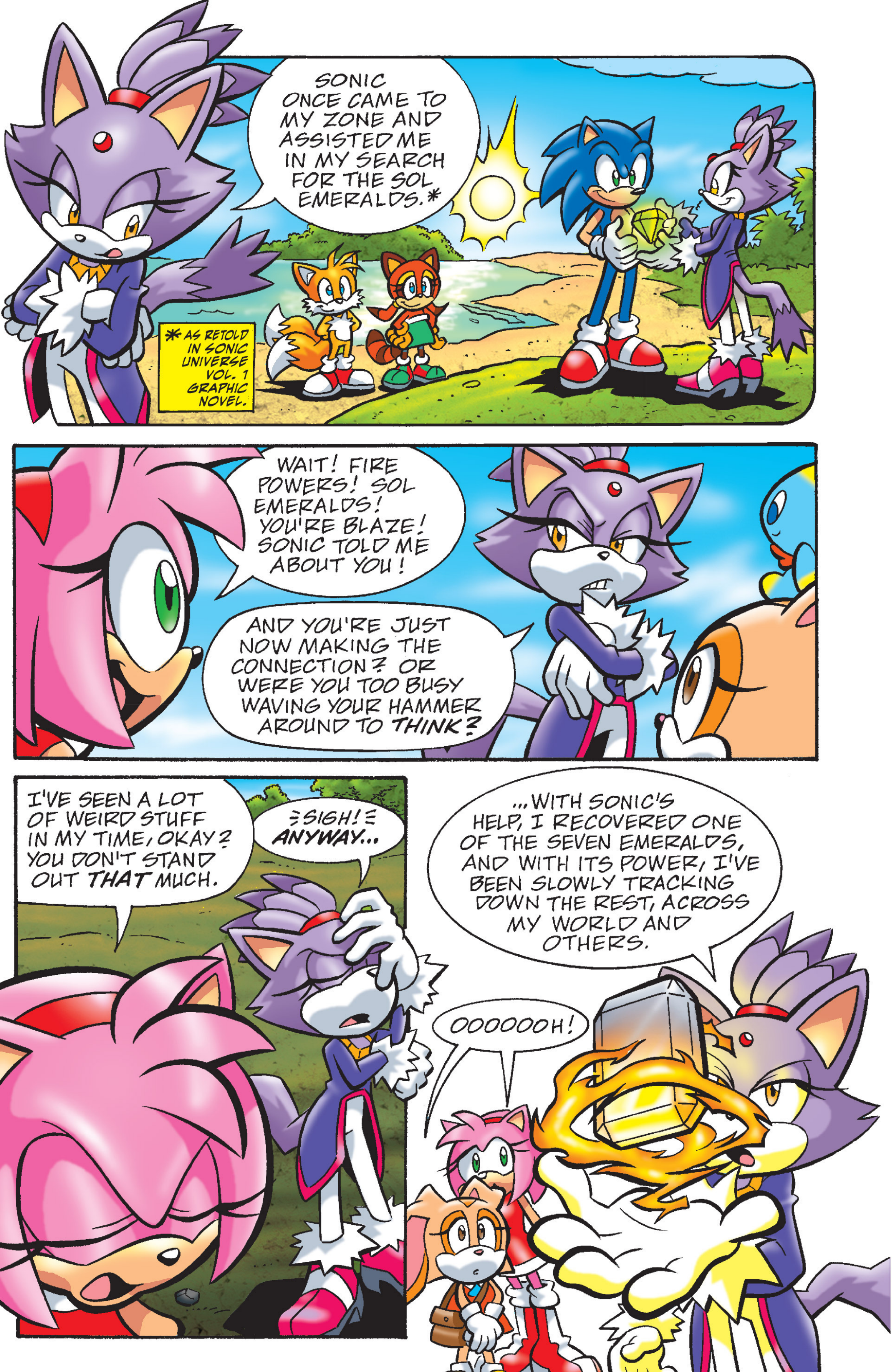
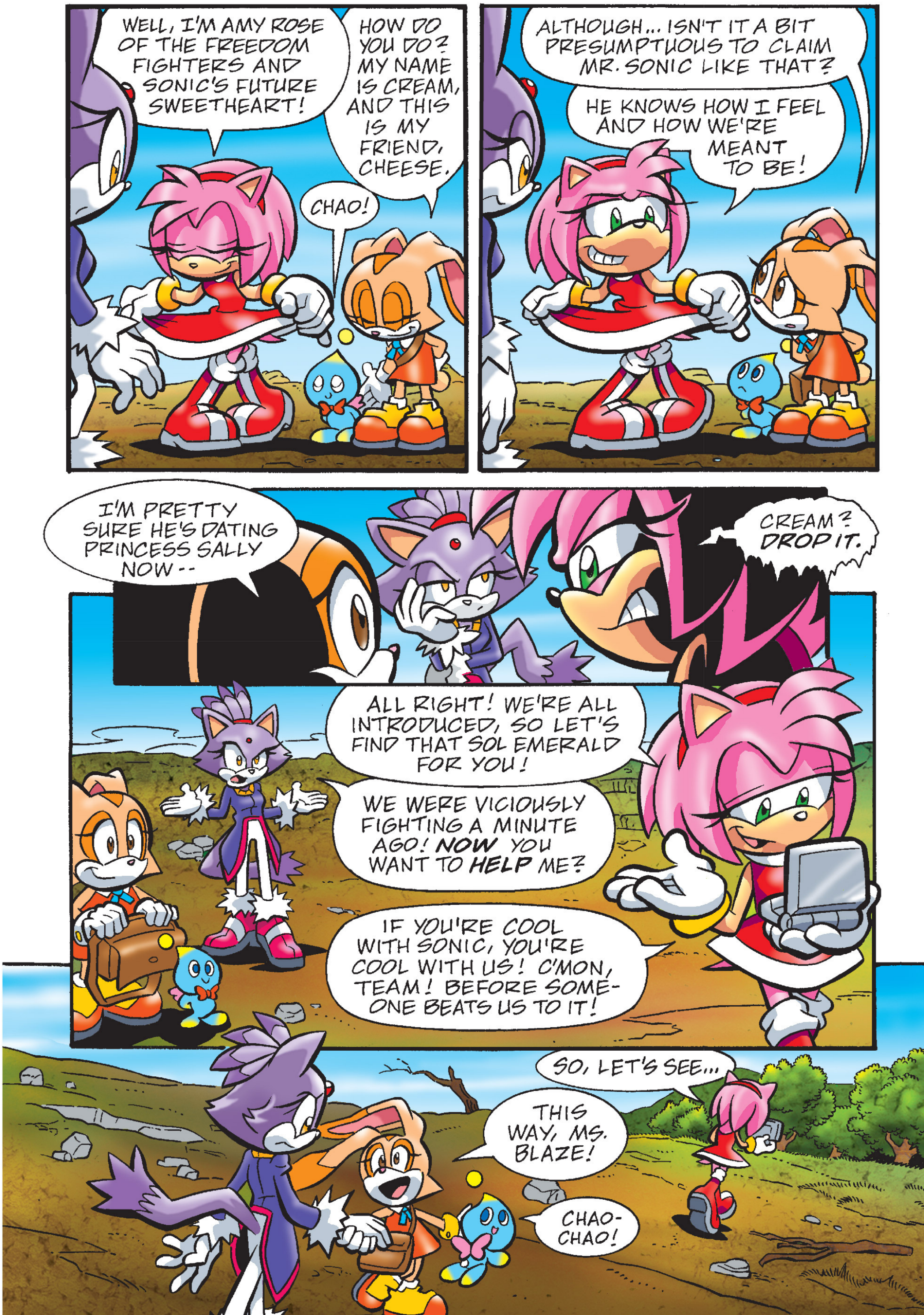
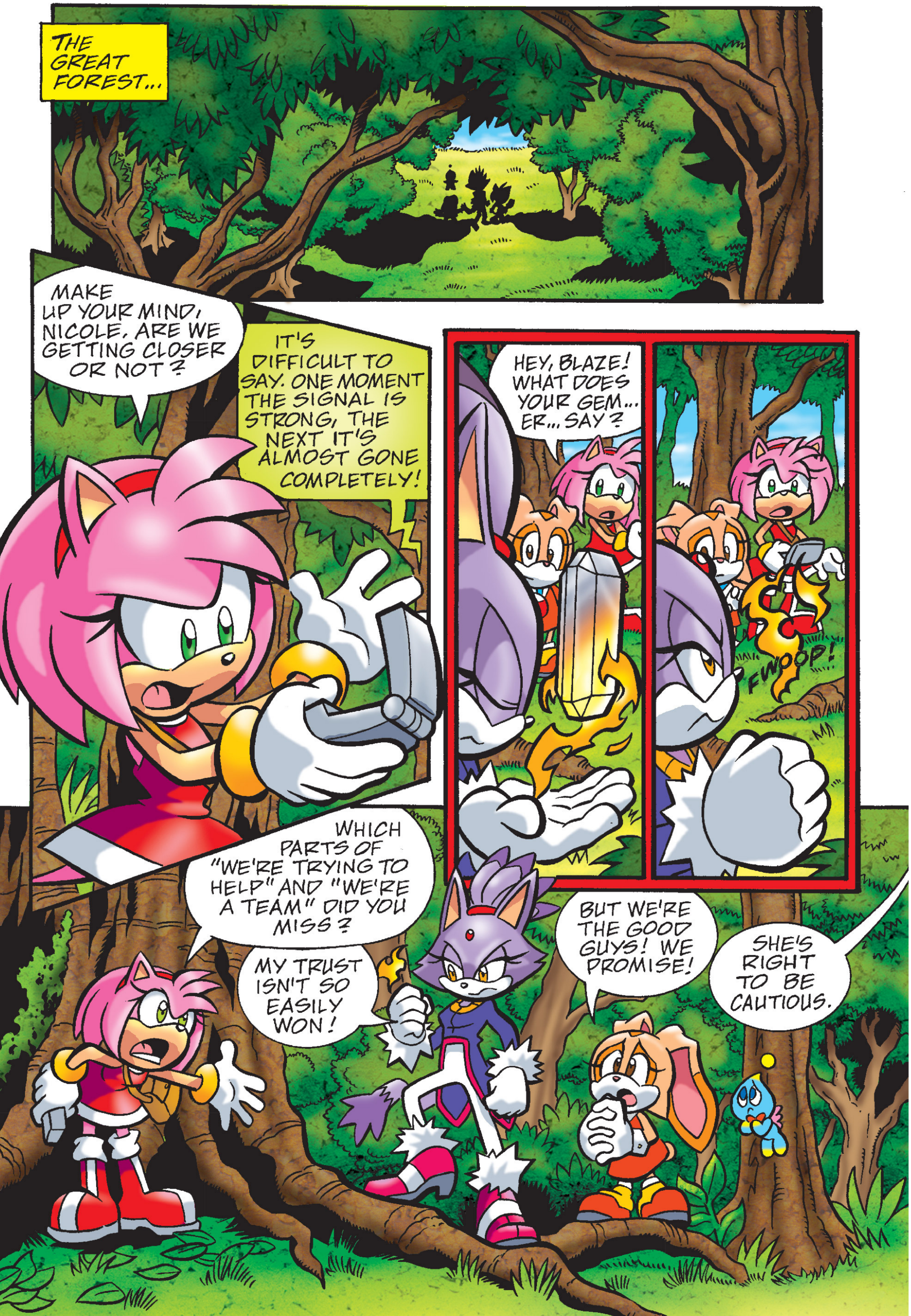
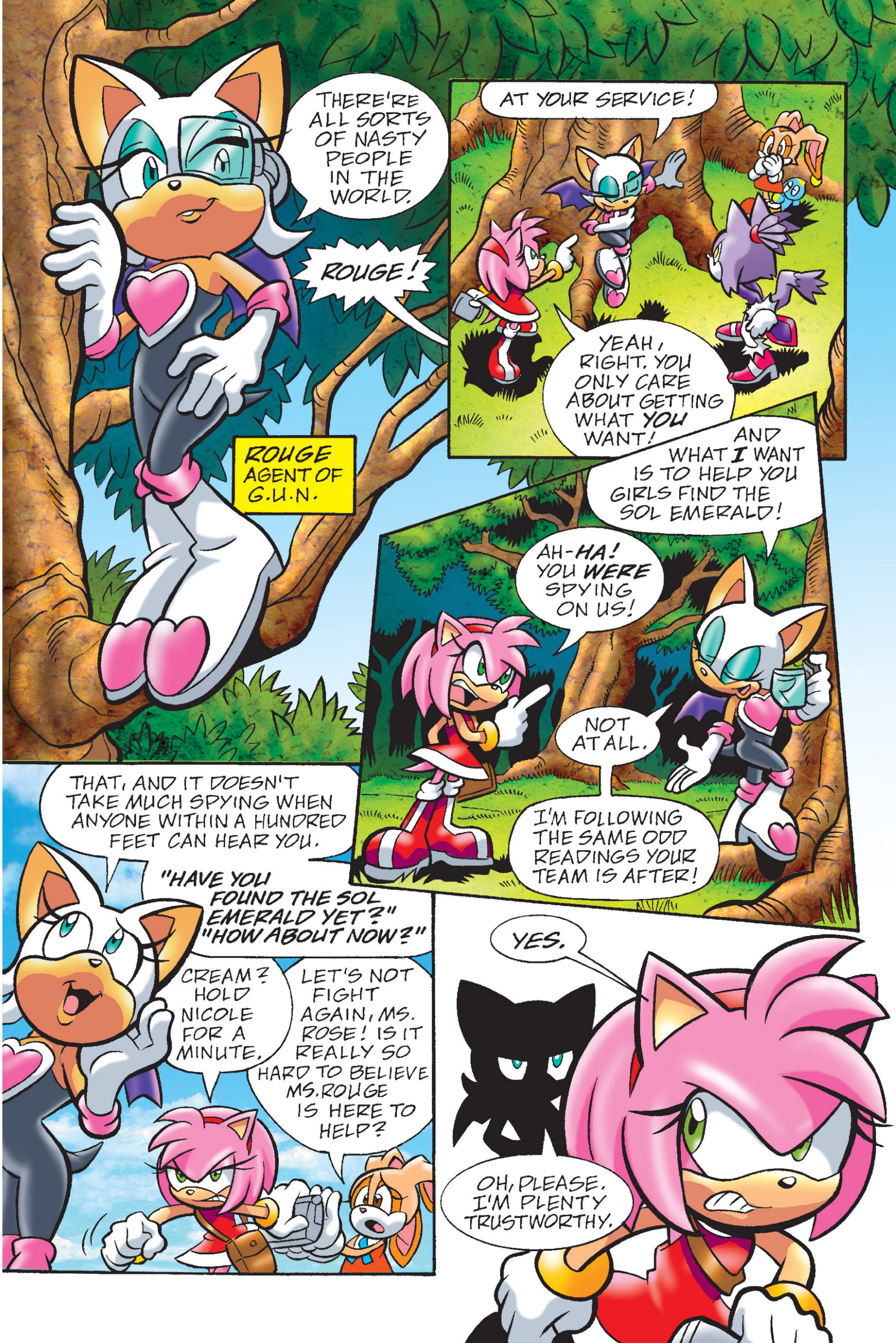
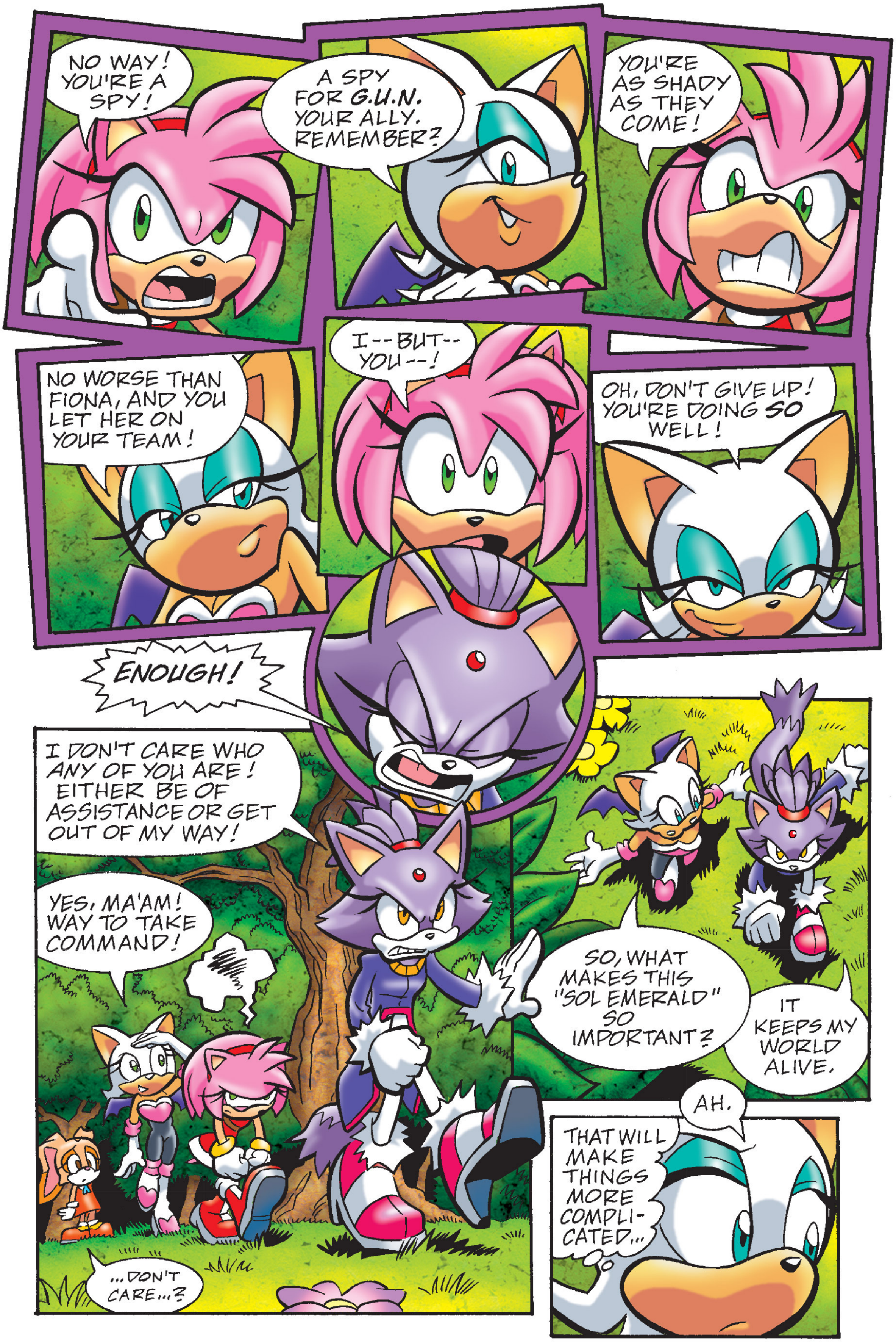
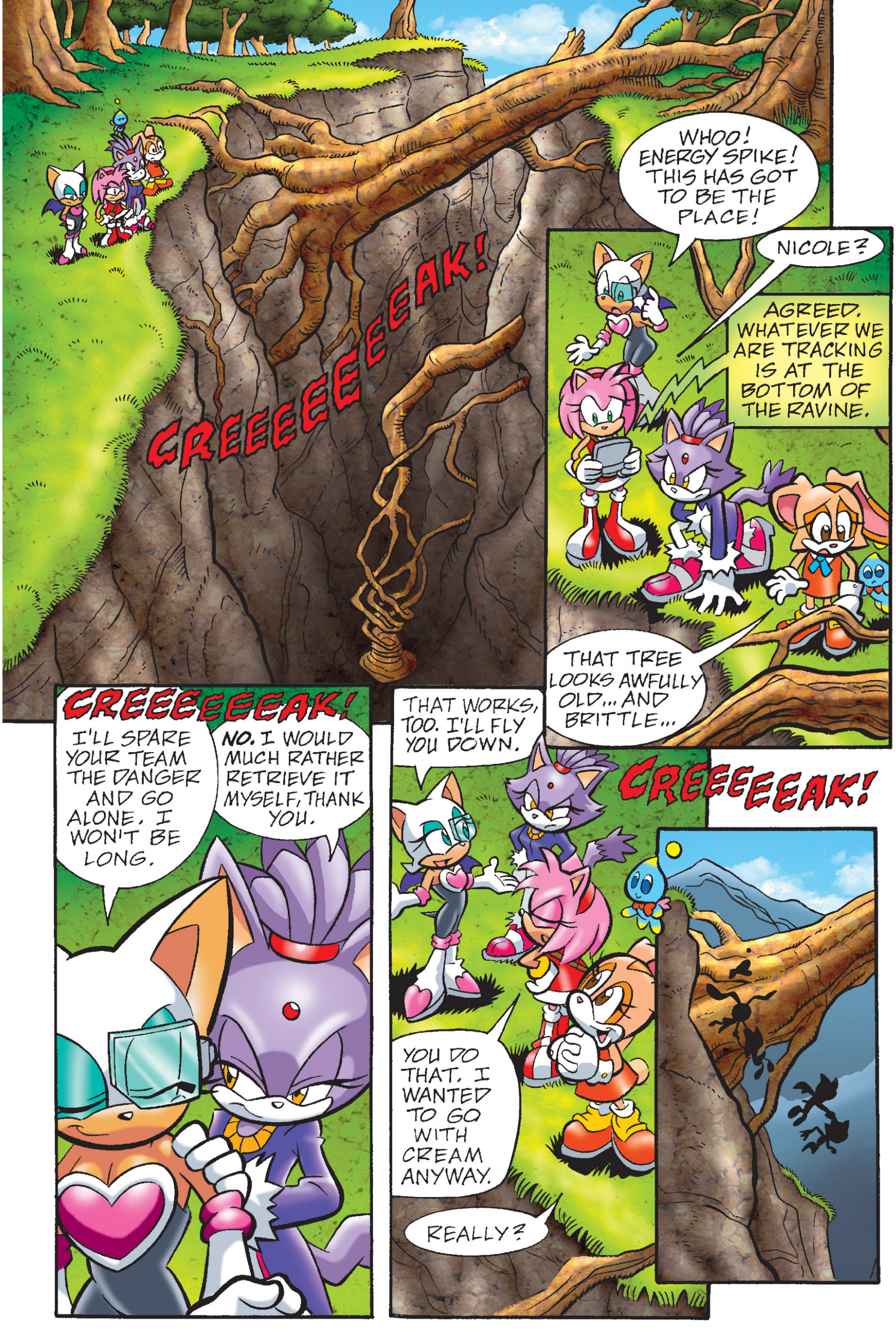

SONIC ONCE CAME TO MY ZONE AND ASSISTED ME IN MY SEARCH FOR THE SOL EMERALDS.*
* AS RETOLD IN SONIC UNIVERSE VOL. 1 GRAPHIC NOVEL.
WAIT! FIRE POWERS! SOL EMERALDS! YOU'RE BLAZE! SONIC TOLD ME ABOUT YOU!
AND YOU'RE JUST NOW MAKING THE CONNECTION? OR WERE YOU TOO BUSY WAVING YOUR HAMMER AROUND TO THINK?
I'VE SEEN A LOT OF WEIRD STUFF IN MY TIME, OKAY? YOU DON'T STAND OUT THAT MUCH.
SIGH! ANYWAY...
...WITH SONIC'S HELP, I RECOVERED ONE OF THE SEVEN EMERALDS, AND WITH ITS POWER, I'VE BEEN SLOWLY TRACKING DOWN THE REST, ACROSS MY WORLD AND OTHERS.
OOOOOOH!

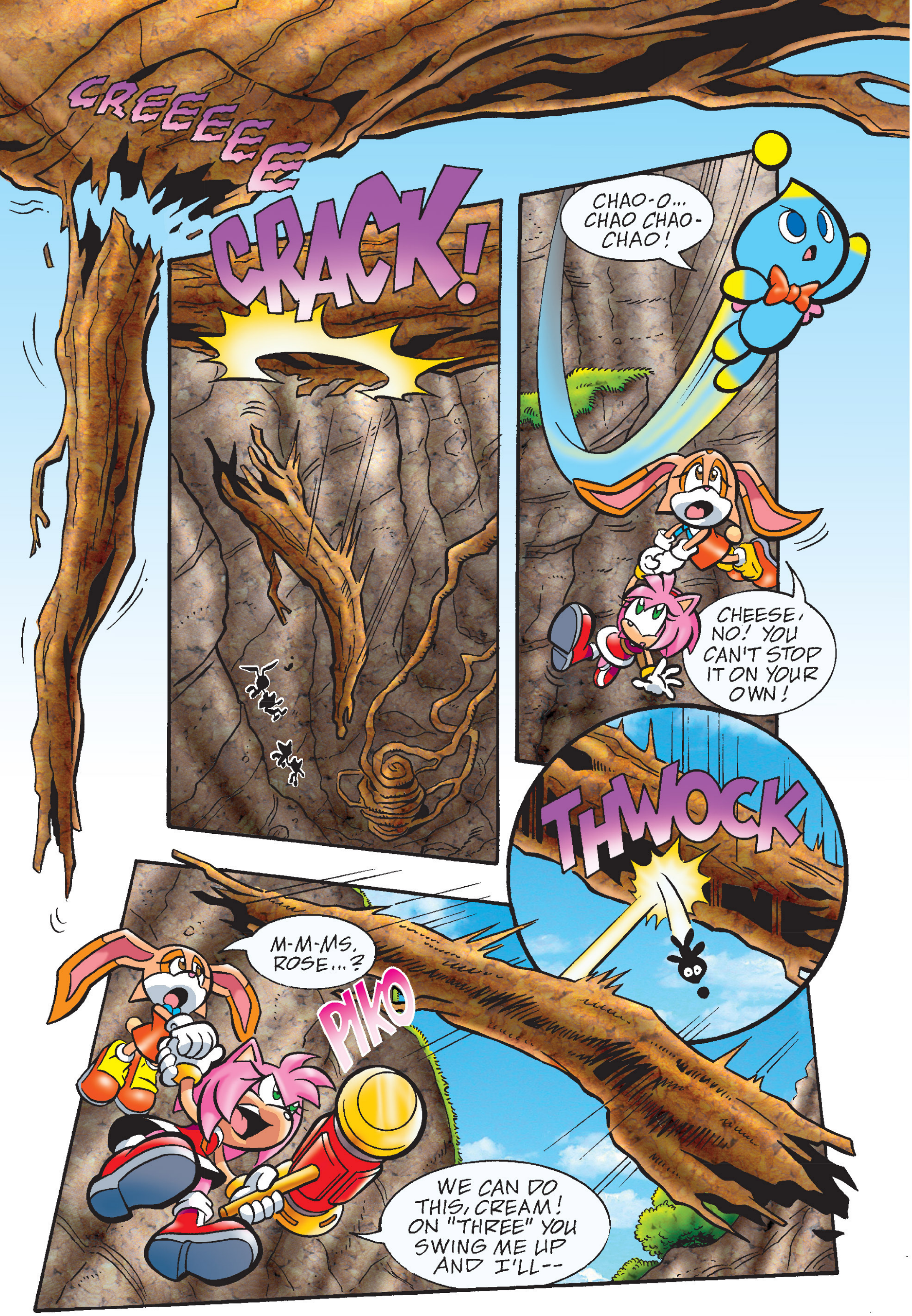

WELL, I'M AMY ROSE OF THE FREEDOM FIGHTERS AND SONIC'S FUTURE SWEETHEART!
HOW DO YOU DO? MY NAME IS CREAM, AND THIS IS MY FRIEND, CHEESE.
CHAO!
ALTHOUGH... ISN'T IT A BIT PRESUMPTUOUS TO CLAIM MR. SONIC LIKE THAT?
HE KNOWS HOW I FEEL AND HOW WE'RE MEANT TO BE!
I'M PRETTY SURE HE'S DATING PRINCESS SALLY NOW--
CREAM? ***DROP IT.***
ALL RIGHT! WE'RE ALL INTRODUCED, SO LET'S FIND THAT SOL EMERALD FOR YOU!
WE WERE VICIOUSLY FIGHTING A MINUTE AGO! ***NOW*** YOU WANT TO ***HELP*** ME?
IF YOU'RE COOL WITH SONIC, YOU'RE COOL WITH US! C'MON, TEAM! BEFORE SOMEONE BEATS US TO IT!
SO, LET'S SEE...
THIS WAY, MS. BLAZE!
CHAO-CHAO!

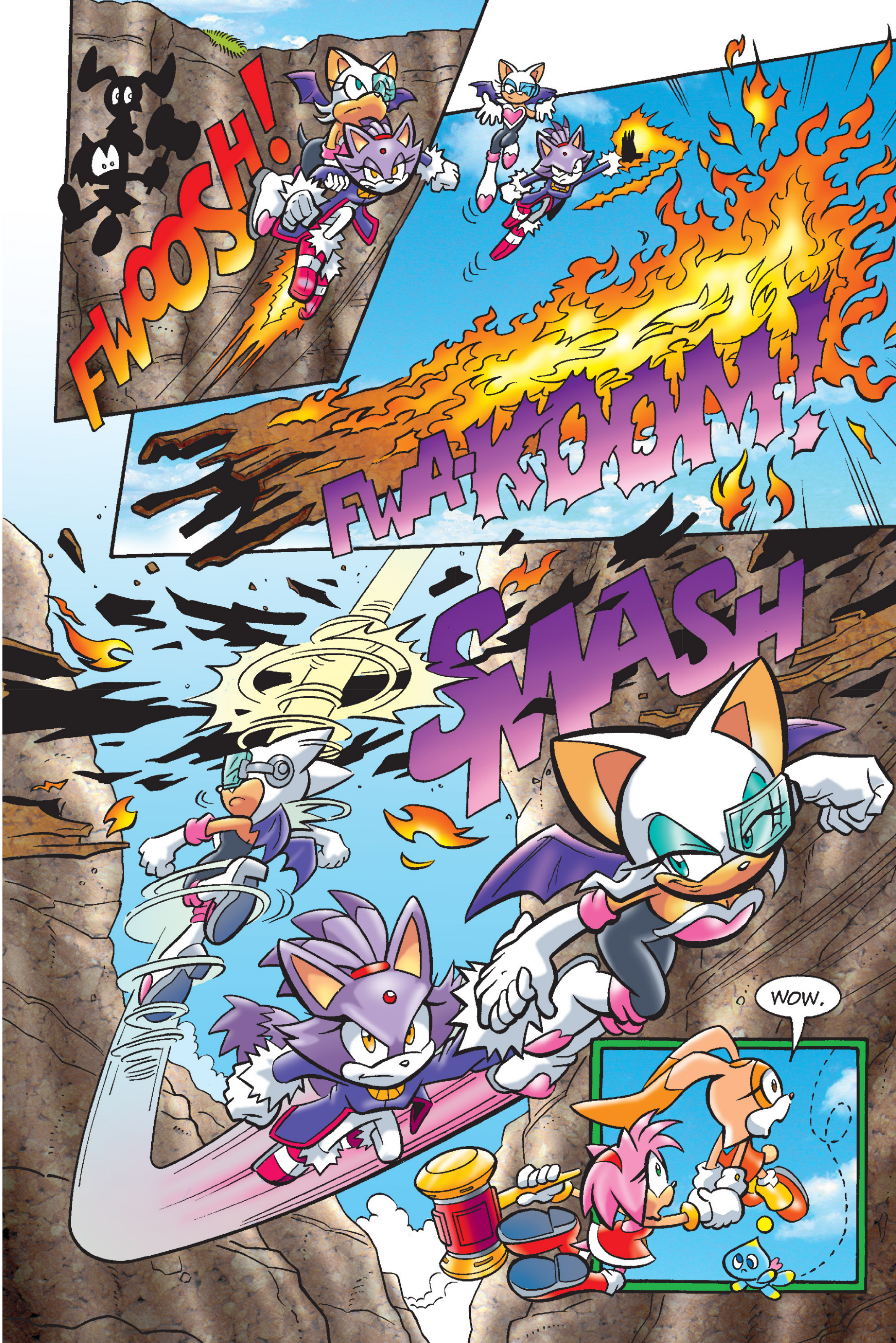

THE GREAT FOREST...
MAKE UP YOUR MIND, NICOLE. ARE WE GETTING CLOSER OR NOT?
IT'S DIFFICULT TO SAY. ONE MOMENT THE SIGNAL IS STRONG, THE NEXT IT'S ALMOST GONE COMPLETELY!
HEY, BLAZE! WHAT DOES YOUR GEM... ER... SAY?
FWOOP!
WHICH PARTS OF "WE'RE TRYING TO HELP" AND "WE'RE A TEAM" DID YOU MISS?
MY TRUST ISN'T SO EASILY WON!
BUT WE'RE THE GOOD GUYS! WE PROMISE!
SHE'S RIGHT TO BE CAUTIOUS.

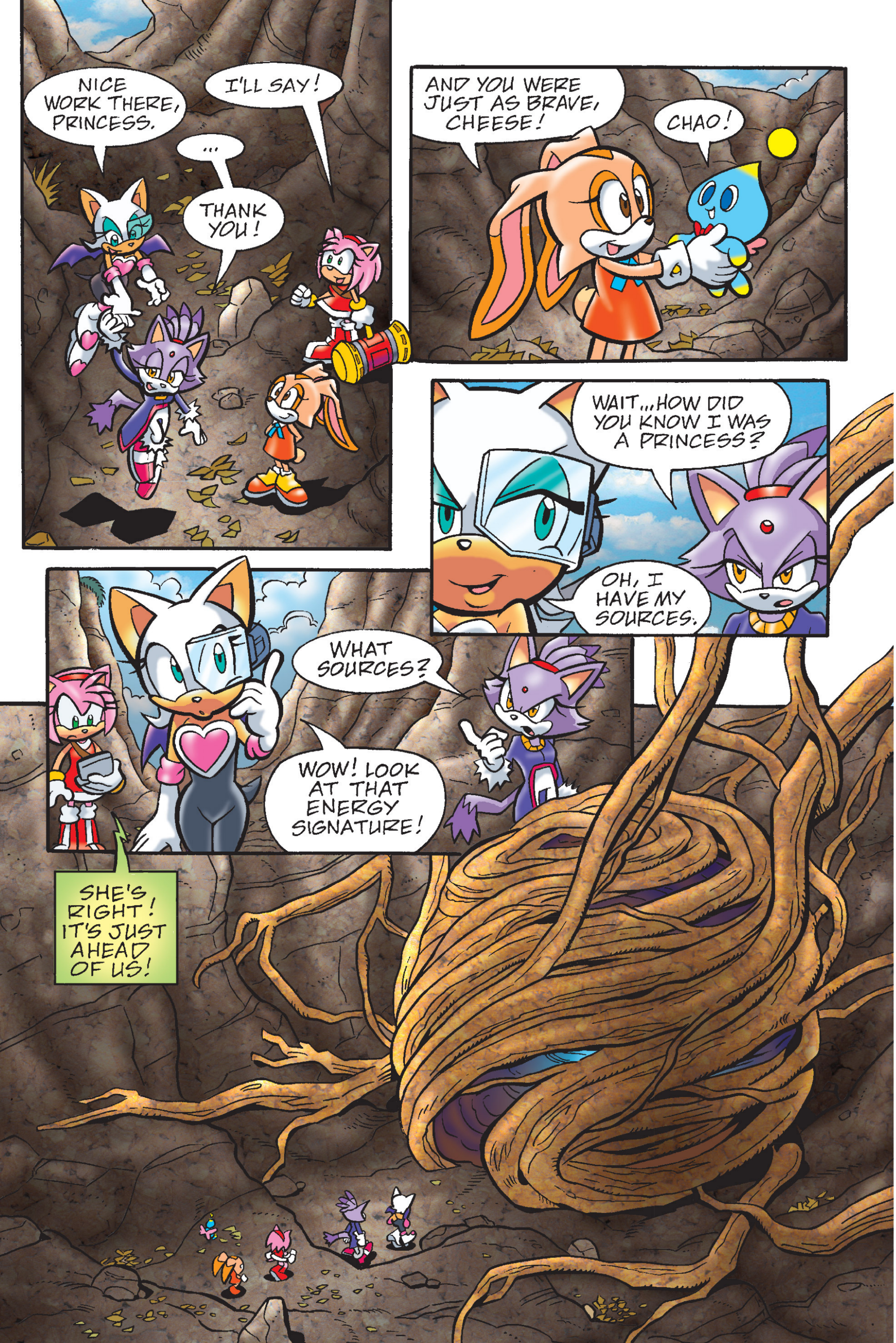

THERE'RE ALL SORTS OF NASTY PEOPLE IN THE WORLD.
ROUGE!
ROUGE AGENT OF G.U.N.
AT YOUR SERVICE!
YEAH, RIGHT. YOU ONLY CARE ABOUT GETTING WHAT YOU WANT!
AND WHAT I WANT IS TO HELP YOU GIRLS FIND THE SOL EMERALD!
AH-HA! YOU WERE SPYING ON US!
NOT AT ALL.
I'M FOLLOWING THE SAME ODD READINGS YOUR TEAM IS AFTER!
THAT, AND IT DOESN'T TAKE MUCH SPYING WHEN ANYONE WITHIN A HUNDRED FEET CAN HEAR YOU.
"HAVE YOU FOUND THE SOL EMERALD YET?" "HOW ABOUT NOW?"
CREAM? HOLD NICOLE FOR A MINUTE.
LET'S NOT FIGHT AGAIN, MS. ROSE! IS IT REALLY SO HARD TO BELIEVE MS. ROUGE IS HERE TO HELP?
YES.
OH, PLEASE. I'M PLENTY TRUSTWORTHY.

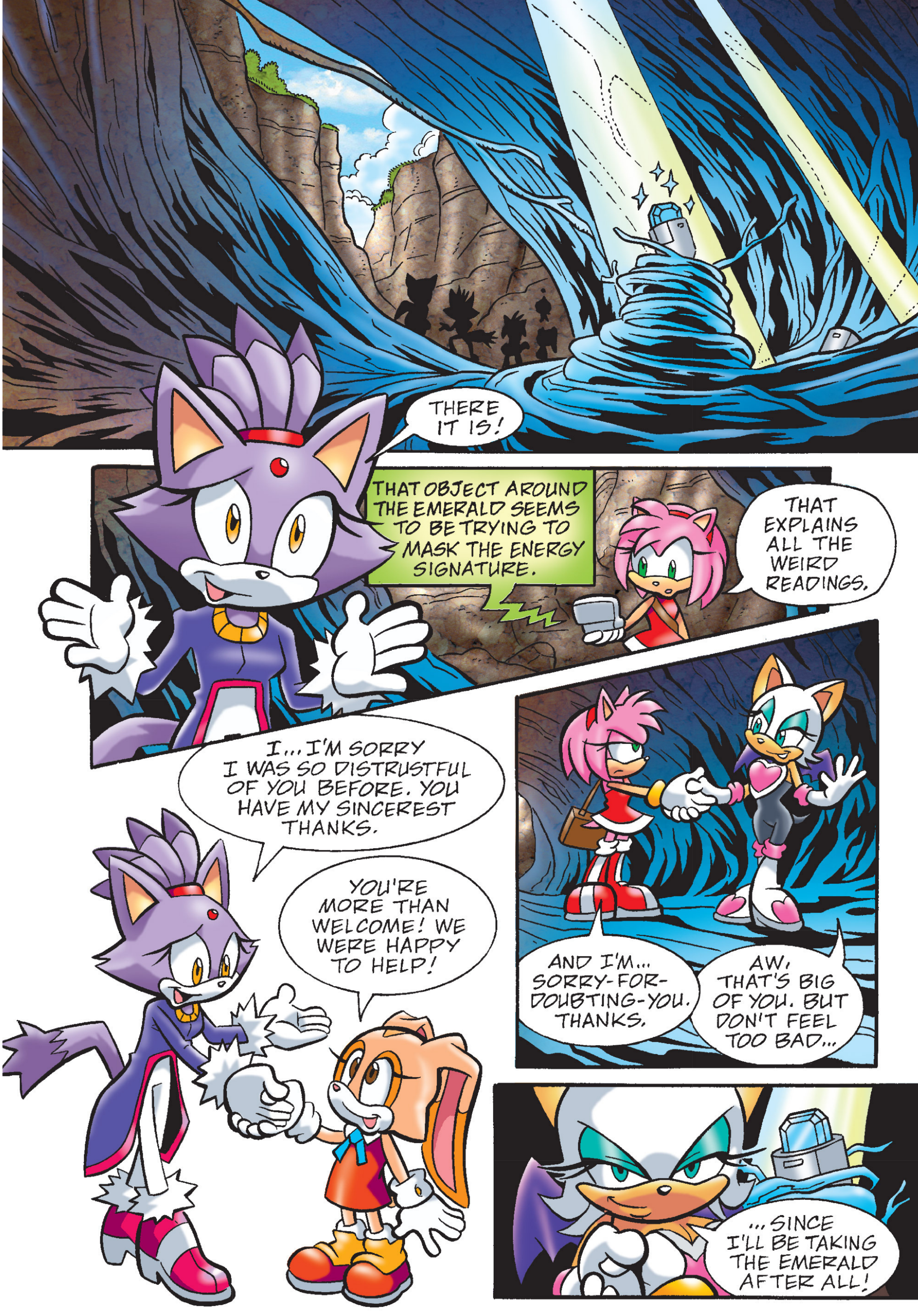

NO WAY! YOU'RE A SPY!
A SPY FOR G.U.N. YOUR ALLY. REMEMBER?
YOU'RE AS SHADY AS THEY COME!
NO WORSE THAN FIONA, AND YOU LET HER ON YOUR TEAM!
I--BUT-- YOU--!
OH, DON'T GIVE UP! YOU'RE DOING SO WELL!
ENOUGH!
I DON'T CARE WHO ANY OF YOU ARE! EITHER BE OF ASSISTANCE OR GET OUT OF MY WAY!
YES, MA'AM! WAY TO TAKE COMMAND!
...DON'T CARE...?
SO, WHAT MAKES THIS "SOL EMERALD" SO IMPORTANT?
IT KEEPS MY WORLD ALIVE.
AH.
THAT WILL MAKE THINGS MORE COMPLICATED...

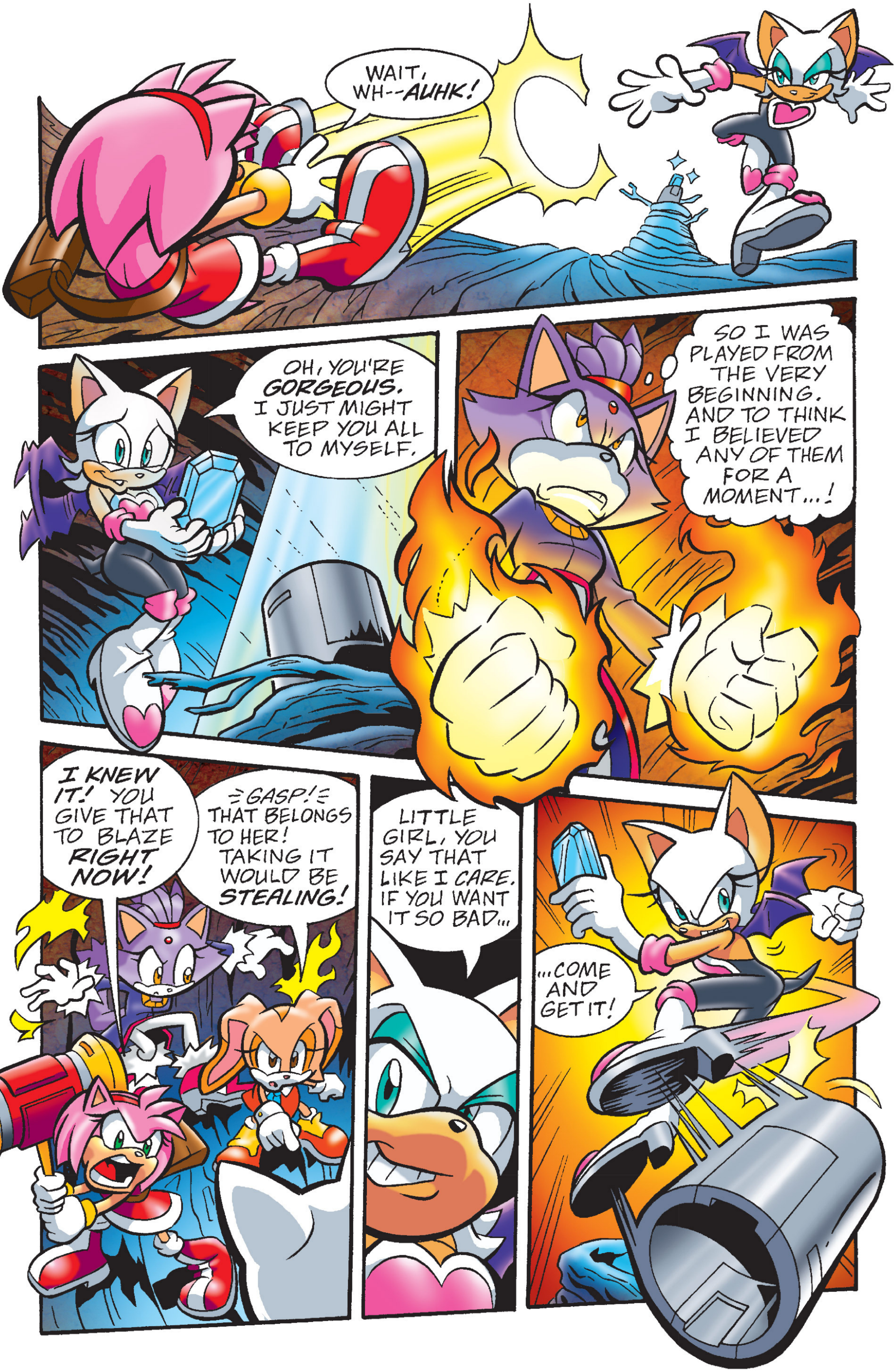

CREEEEEEEEEAK!
WHOO! ENERGY SPIKE! THIS HAS GOT TO BE THE PLACE!
NICOLE?
AGREED. WHATEVER WE ARE TRACKING IS AT THE BOTTOM OF THE RAVINE.
THAT TREE LOOKS AWFULLY OLD... AND BRITTLE...
CREEEEEEEAK!
I'LL SPARE YOUR TEAM THE DANGER AND GO ALONE. I WON'T BE LONG.
NO. I WOULD MUCH RATHER RETRIEVE IT MYSELF, THANK YOU.
THAT WORKS, TOO. I'LL FLY YOU DOWN.
YOU DO THAT. I WANTED TO GO WITH CREAM ANYWAY.
REALLY?
CREEEEEEAK!

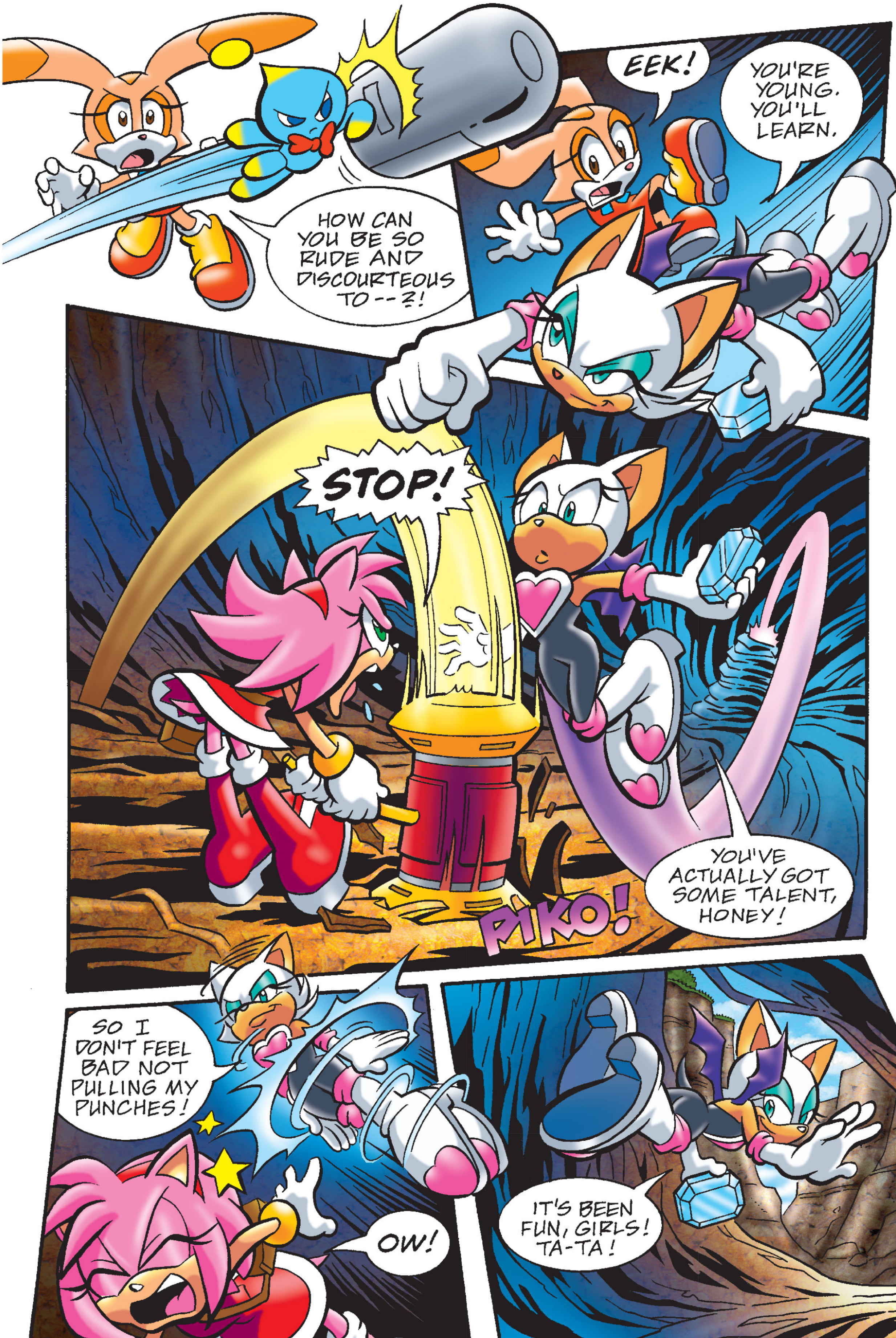

CREEEEEE
CRACK!
CHAO-O... CHAO CHAO-CHAO!
CHEESE, NO! YOU CAN'T STOP IT ON YOUR OWN!
THWOCK
M-M-MS. ROSE...?
PIKO
WE CAN DO THIS, CREAM! ON "THREE" YOU SWING ME UP AND I'LL--

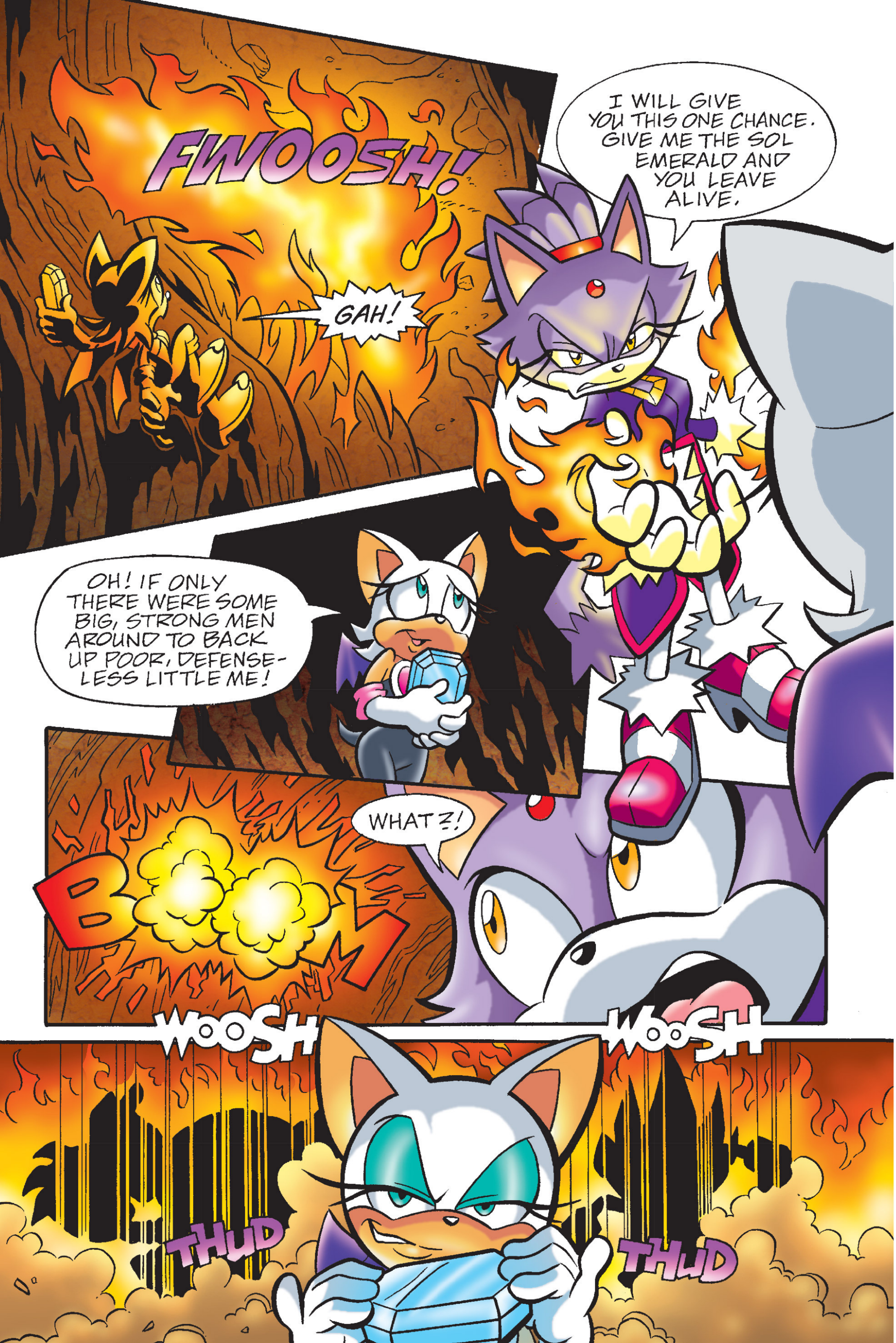

FWOOSH!
FWA-KOOM!
SMASH
WOW.

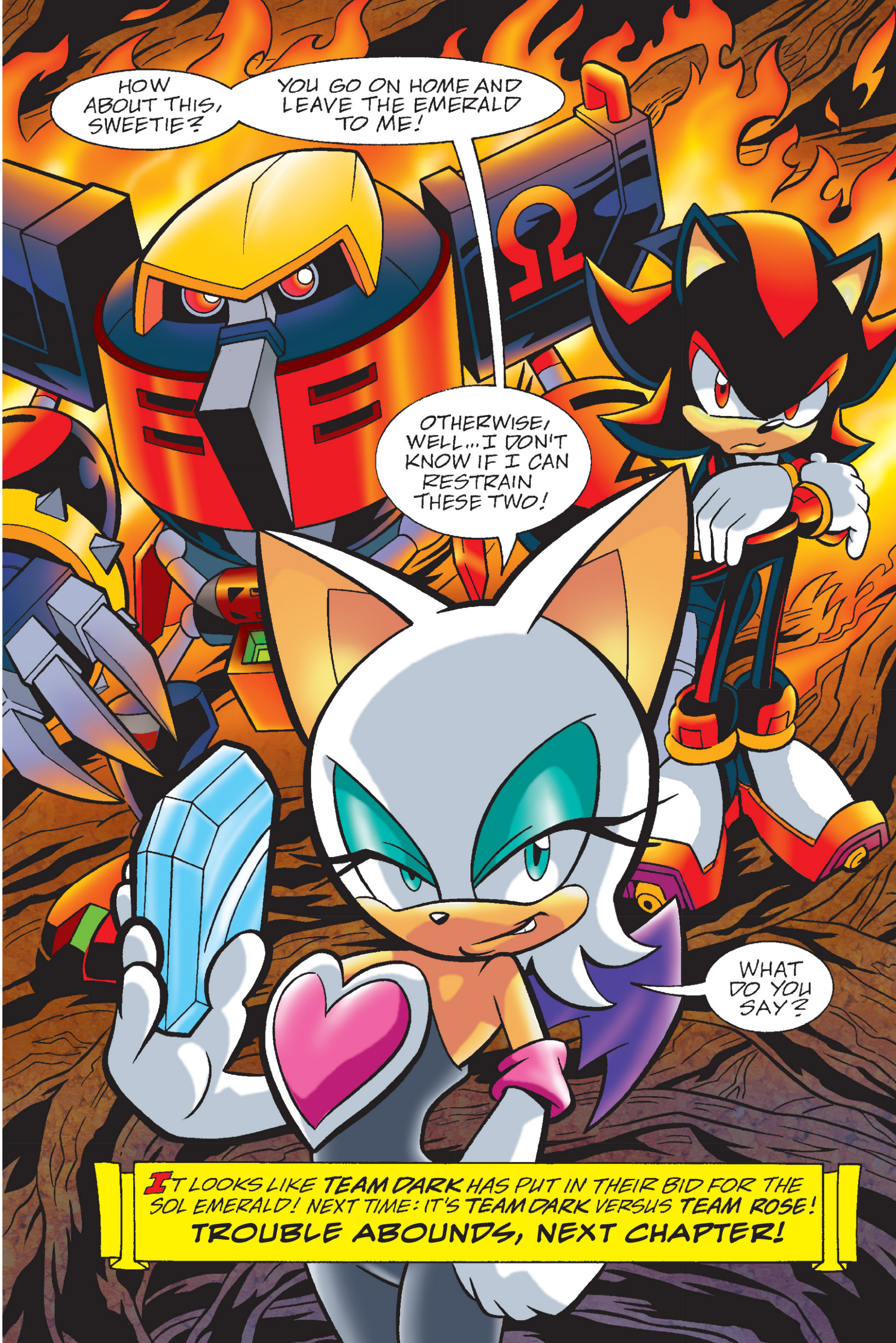

NICE WORK THERE, PRINCESS.
I'LL SAY!
...
THANK YOU!
AND YOU WERE JUST AS BRAVE, CHEESE!
CHAO!
WAIT...HOW DID YOU KNOW I WAS A PRINCESS?
OH, I HAVE MY SOURCES.
WHAT SOURCES?
WOW! LOOK AT THAT ENERGY SIGNATURE!
SHE'S RIGHT! IT'S JUST AHEAD OF US!


THERE IT IS!
THAT OBJECT AROUND THE EMERALD SEEMS TO BE TRYING TO MASK THE ENERGY SIGNATURE.
THAT EXPLAINS ALL THE WEIRD READINGS.
I... I'M SORRY I WAS SO DISTRUSTFUL OF YOU BEFORE. YOU HAVE MY SINCEREST THANKS.
YOU'RE MORE THAN WELCOME! WE WERE HAPPY TO HELP!
AND I'M... SORRY-FOR-DOUBTING-YOU. THANKS.
AW, THAT'S BIG OF YOU. BUT DON'T FEEL TOO BAD...
...SINCE I'LL BE TAKING THE EMERALD AFTER ALL!


WAIT, WH--AUHK!
OH, YOU'RE GORGEOUS. I JUST MIGHT KEEP YOU ALL TO MYSELF.
SO I WAS PLAYED FROM THE VERY BEGINNING. AND TO THINK I BELIEVED ANY OF THEM FOR A MOMENT...!
I KNEW IT! YOU GIVE THAT TO BLAZE RIGHT NOW!
≡GASP!≡ THAT BELONGS TO HER! TAKING IT WOULD BE STEALING!
LITTLE GIRL, YOU SAY THAT LIKE I CARE. IF YOU WANT IT SO BAD...
...COME AND GET IT!


HOW CAN YOU BE SO RUDE AND DISCOURTEOUS TO--?!
EEK!
YOU'RE YOUNG. YOU'LL LEARN.
STOP!
PIKO!
YOU'VE ACTUALLY GOT SOME TALENT, HONEY!
SO I DON'T FEEL BAD NOT PULLING MY PUNCHES!
OW!
IT'S BEEN FUN, GIRLS! TA-TA!


FWOOSH!
GAH!
I WILL GIVE YOU THIS ONE CHANCE. GIVE ME THE SOL EMERALD AND YOU LEAVE ALIVE.
OH! IF ONLY THERE WERE SOME BIG, STRONG MEN AROUND TO BACK UP POOR, DEFENSELESS LITTLE ME!
BOOM
WHAT?!
WOOSH
WOOSH
THUD
THUD


HOW ABOUT THIS, SWEETIE?
YOU GO ON HOME AND LEAVE THE EMERALD TO ME!
OTHERWISE, WELL... I DON'T KNOW IF I CAN RESTRAIN THESE TWO!
WHAT DO YOU SAY?
IT LOOKS LIKE TEAM DARK HAS PUT IN THEIR BID FOR THE SOL EMERALD! NEXT TIME: IT'S TEAM DARK VERSUS TEAM ROSE!
TROUBLE ABOUNDS, NEXT CHAPTER!

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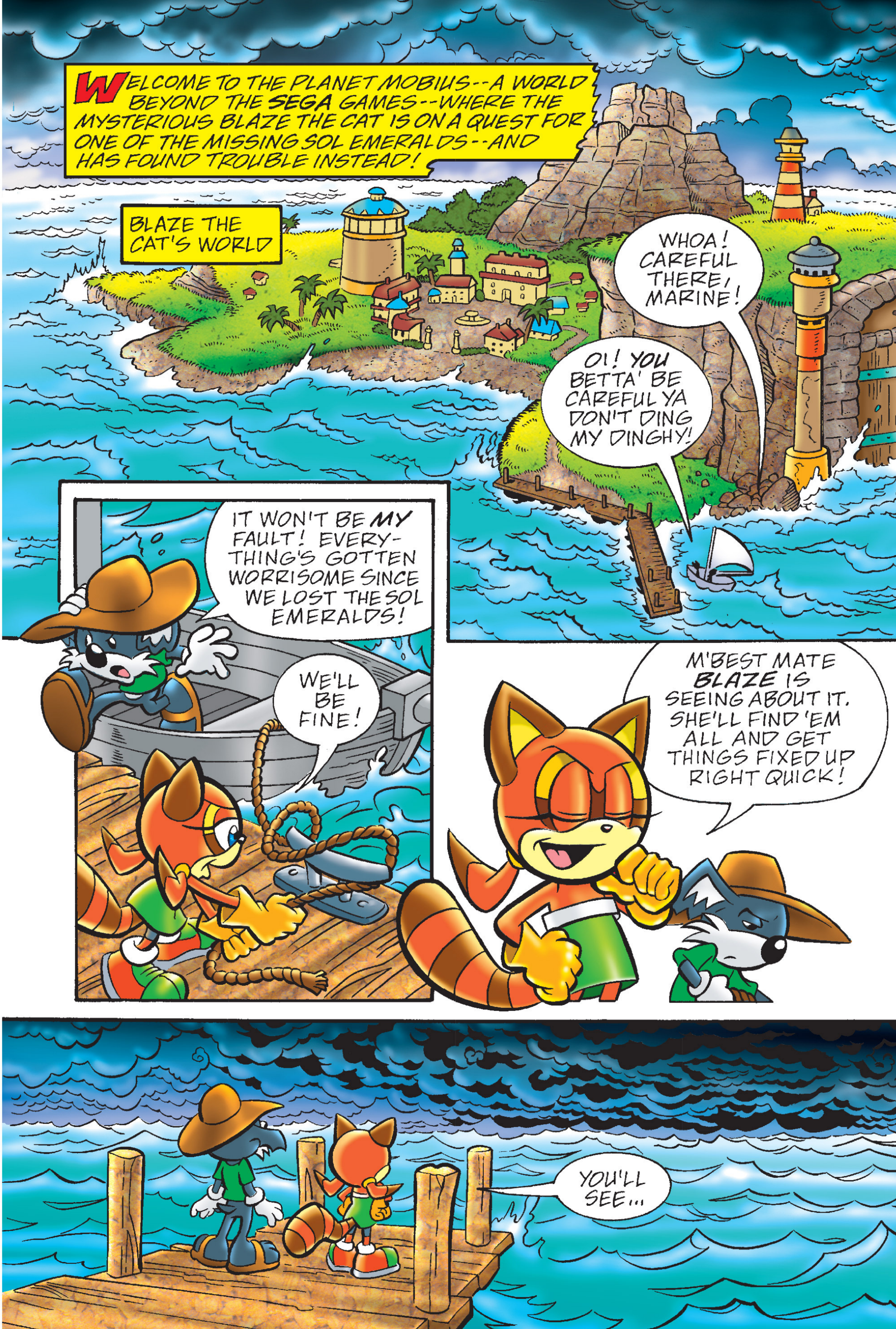
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BLAZE THE CAT'S WORLD
WHOA! CAREFUL THERE, MARINE!
OI! ***YOU*** BETTA' BE CAREFUL YA DON'T DING MY DINGHY!
IT WON'T BE ***MY*** FAULT! EVERYTHING'S GOTTEN WORRISOME SINCE WE LOST THE SOL EMERALDS!
WE'LL BE FINE!
M'BEST MATE ***BLAZE*** IS SEEING ABOUT IT. SHE'LL FIND 'EM ALL AND GET THINGS FIXED UP RIGHT QUICK!
YOU'LL SEE...

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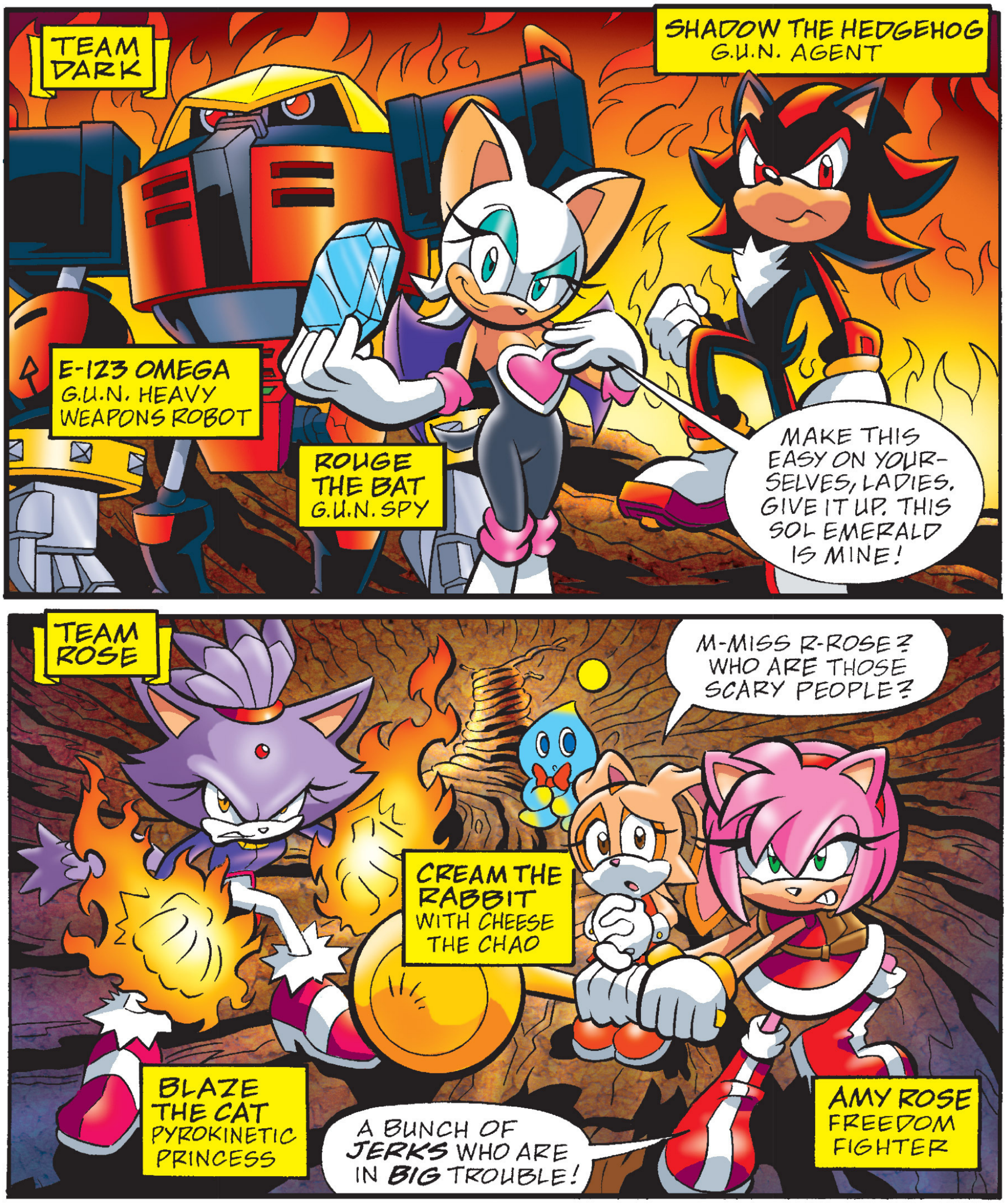
STEP TWO: THE CRUZADA


TEAM DARK
SHADOW THE HEDGEHOG G.U.N. AGENT
E-123 OMEGA G.U.N. HEAVY WEAPONS ROBOT
ROUGE THE BAT G.U.N. SPY
MAKE THIS EASY ON YOURSELVES, LADIES. GIVE IT UP. THIS SOL EMERALD IS MINE!
TEAM ROSE
M-MISS R-ROSE? WHO ARE THOSE SCARY PEOPLE?
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A BUNCH OF JERKS WHO ARE IN BIG TROUBLE!
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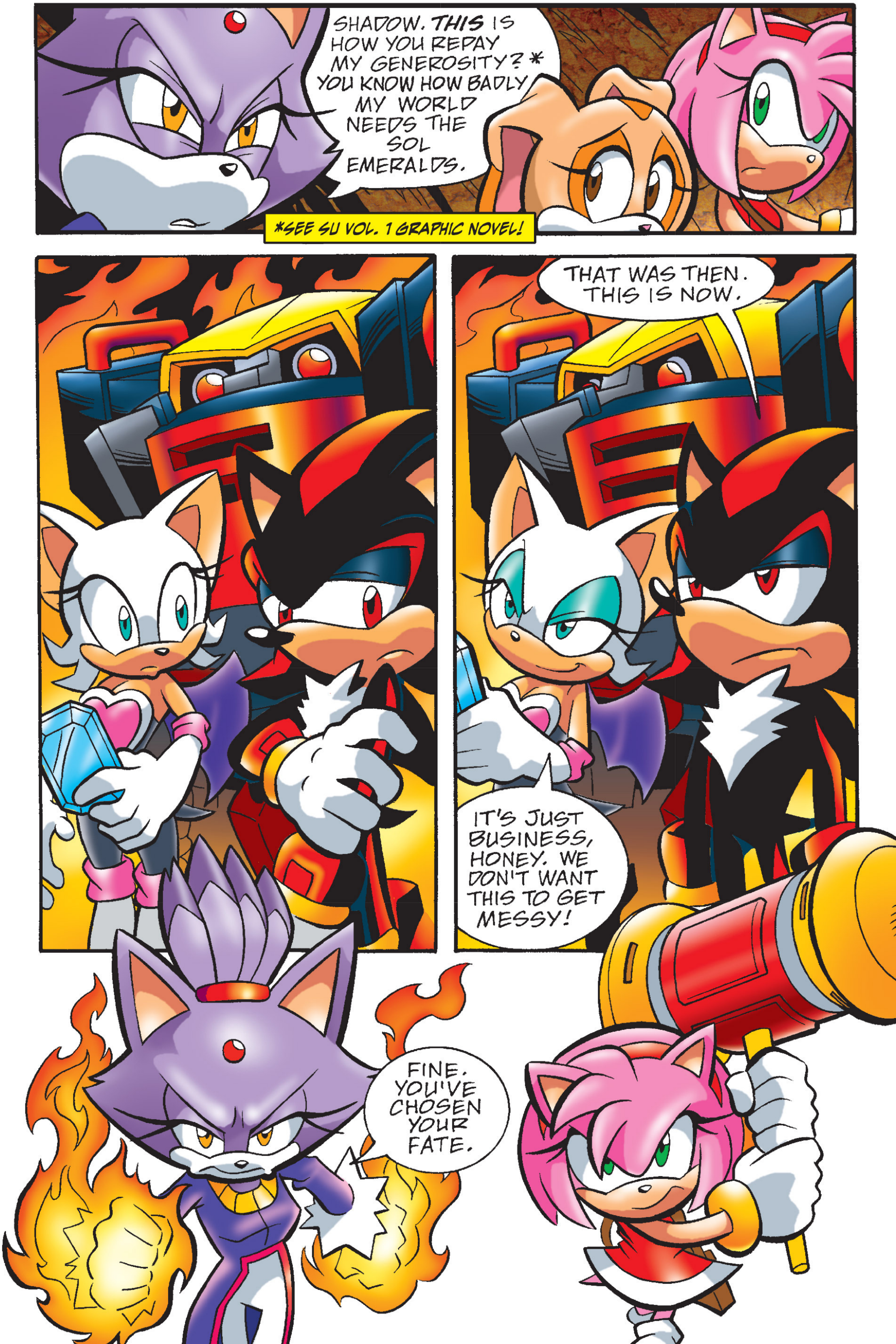
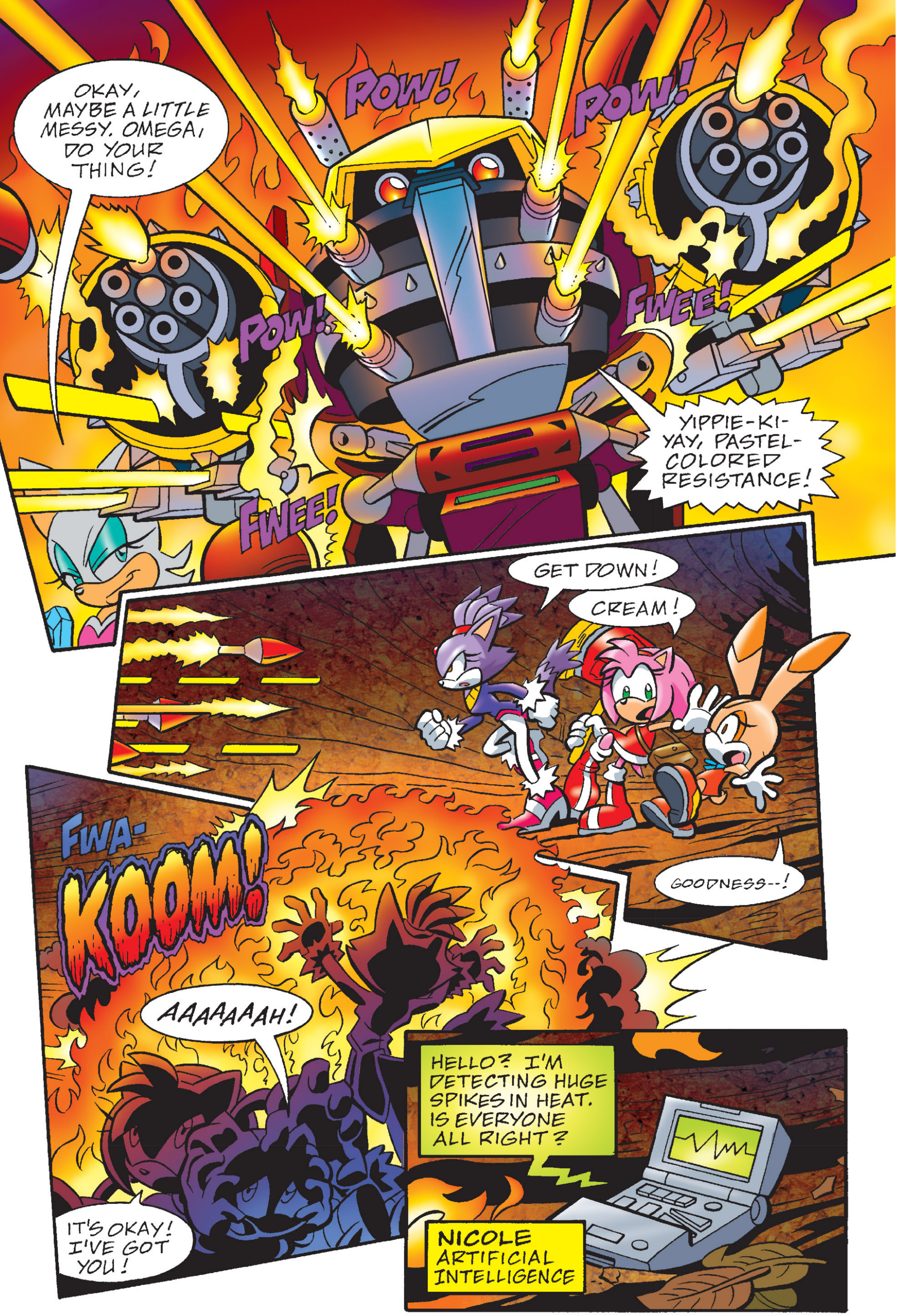
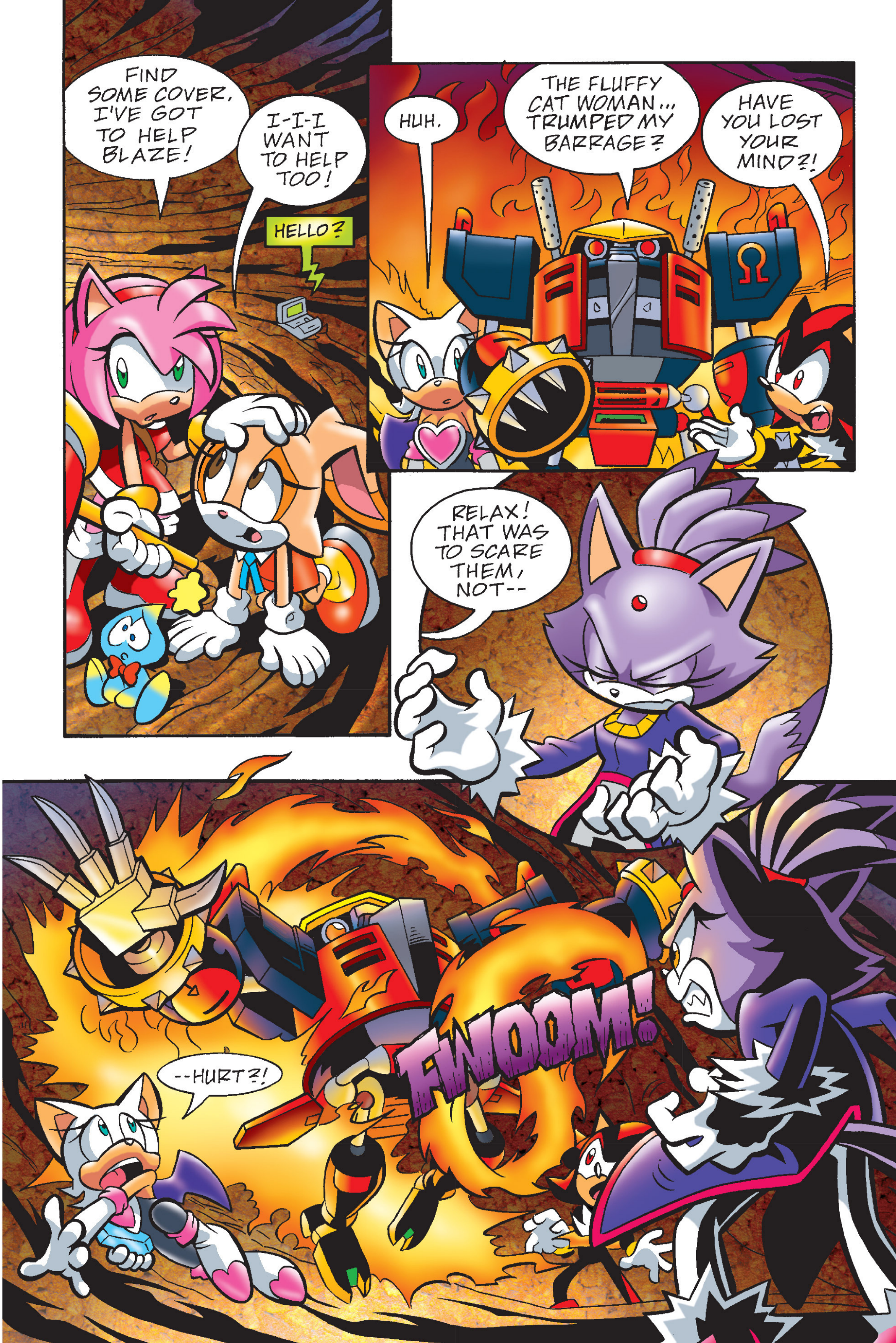
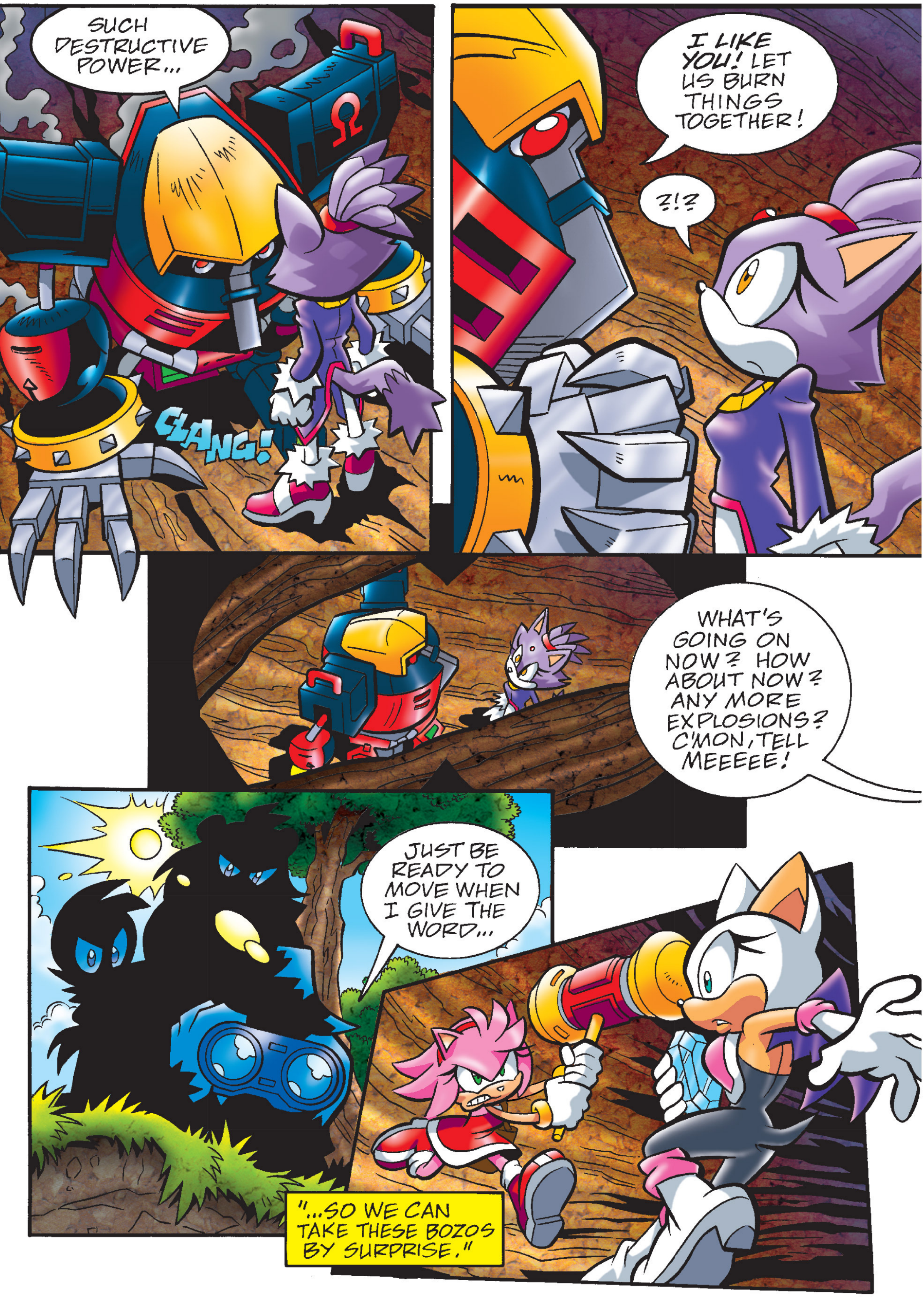
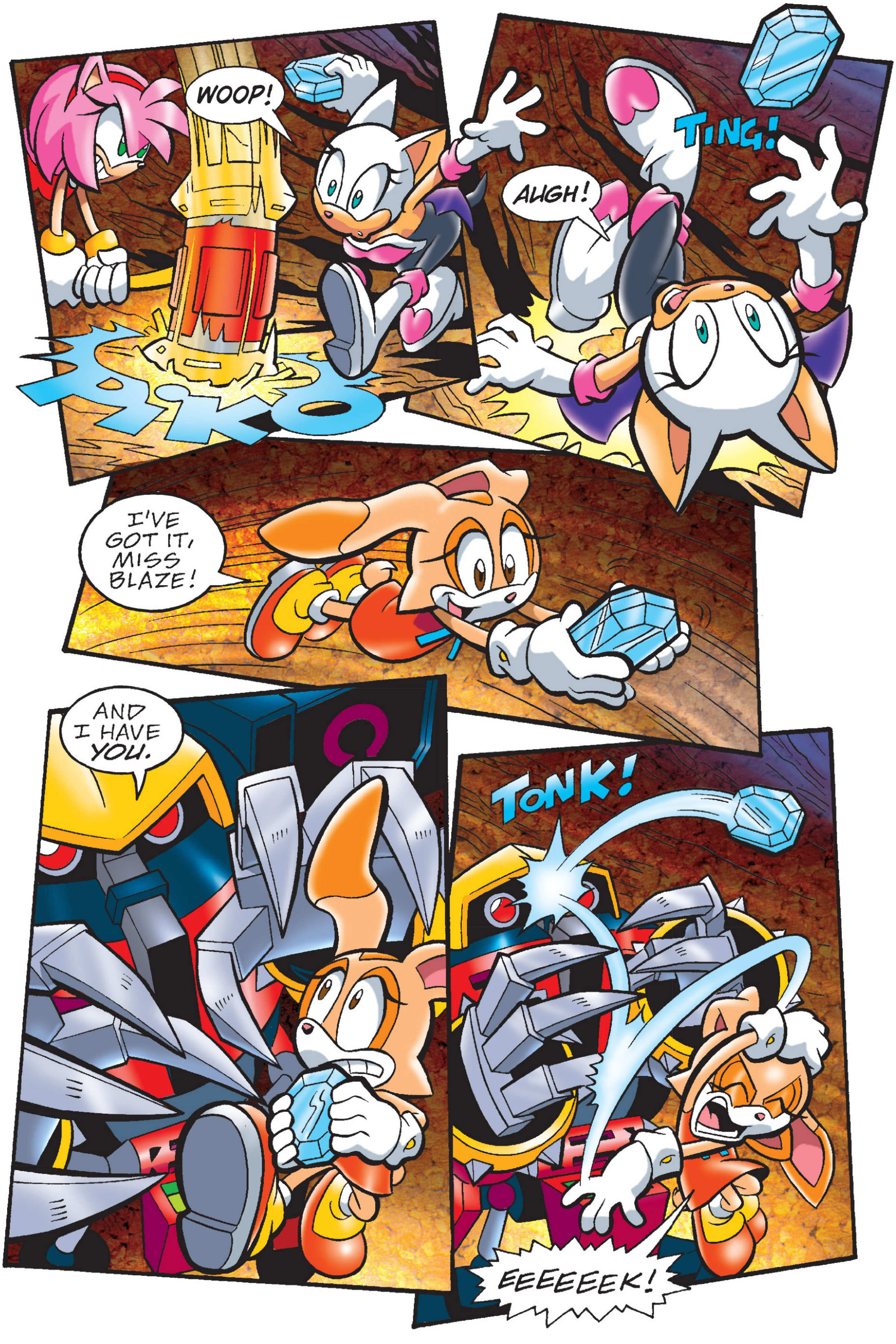
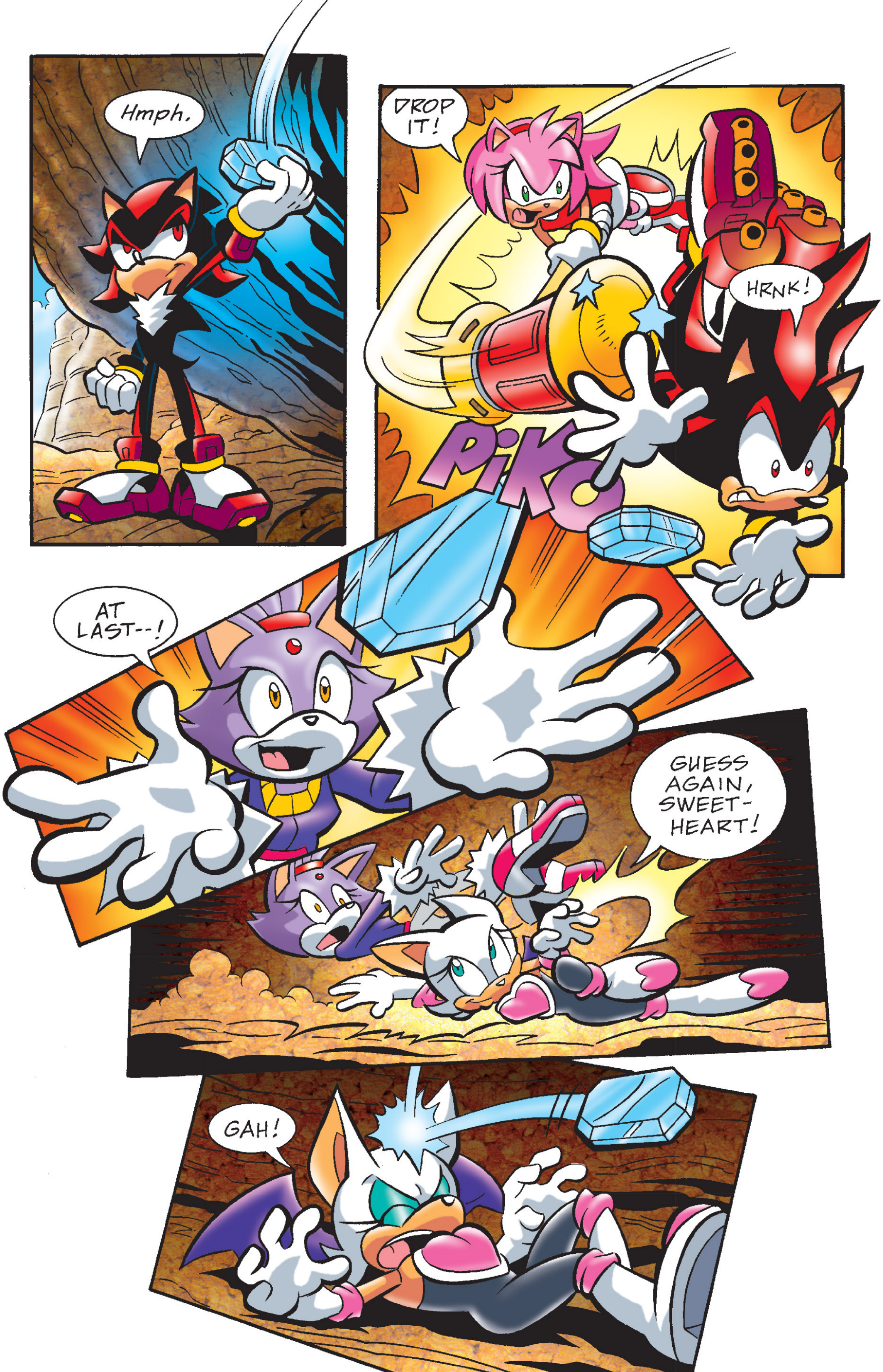

SHADOW. THIS IS HOW YOU REPAY MY GENEROSITY? * YOU KNOW HOW BADLY MY WORLD NEEDS THE SOL EMERALDS.
*SEE SU VOL. 1 GRAPHIC NOVEL!
THAT WAS THEN. THIS IS NOW.
IT'S JUST BUSINESS, HONEY. WE DON'T WANT THIS TO GET MESSY!
FINE. YOU'VE CHOSEN YOUR FATE.

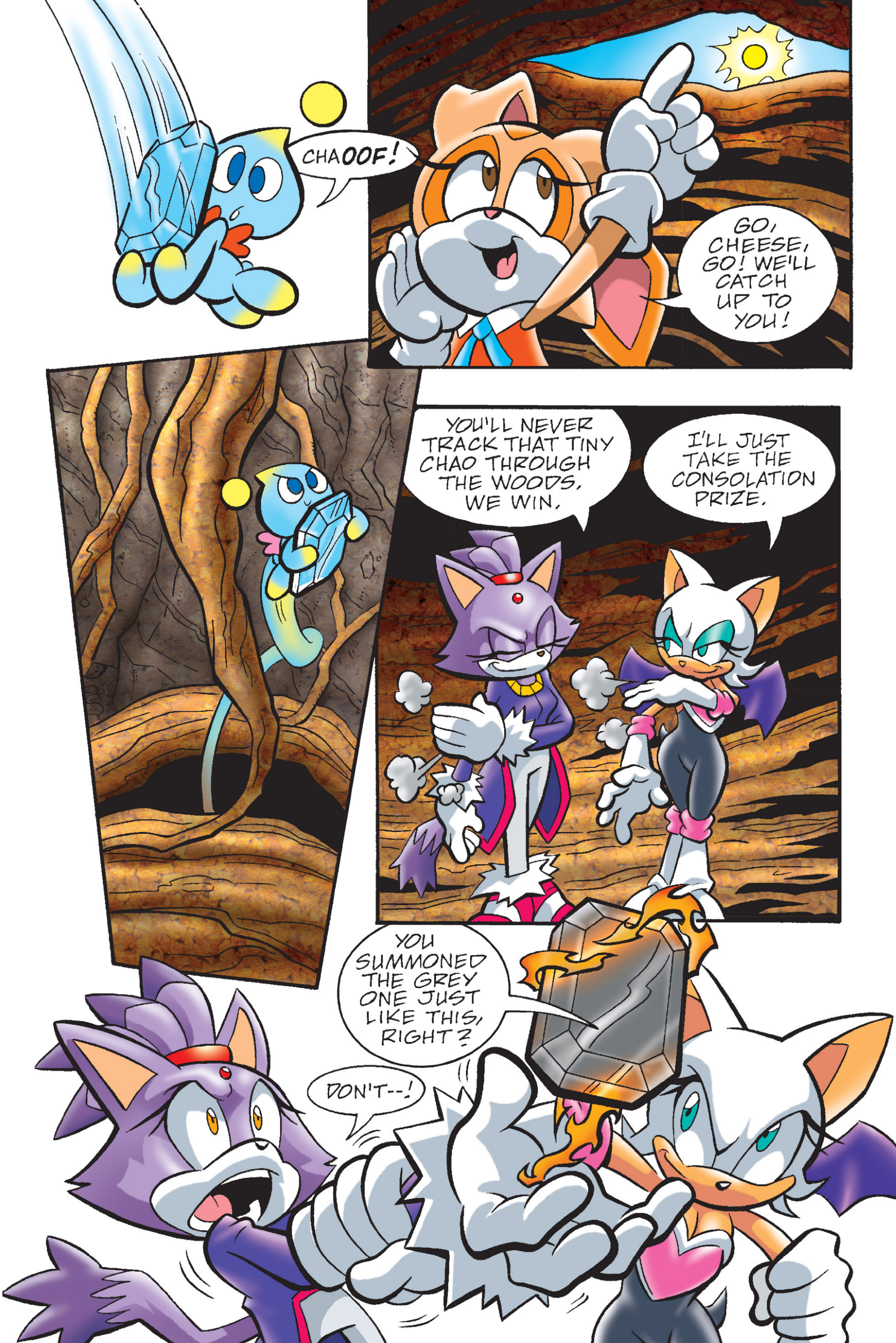

OKAY, MAYBE A LITTLE MESSY. OMEGA, DO YOUR THING!
POW!
POW!
POW!
FWEE!
FWEE!
YIPPIE-KI-YAY, PASTEL-COLORED RESISTANCE!
GET DOWN!
CREAM!
GOODNESS--!
FWA-KOOM!
AAAAAAAH!
IT'S OKAY! I'VE GOT YOU!
HELLO? I'M DETECTING HUGE SPIKES IN HEAT. IS EVERYONE ALL RIGHT?
NICOLE
ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE

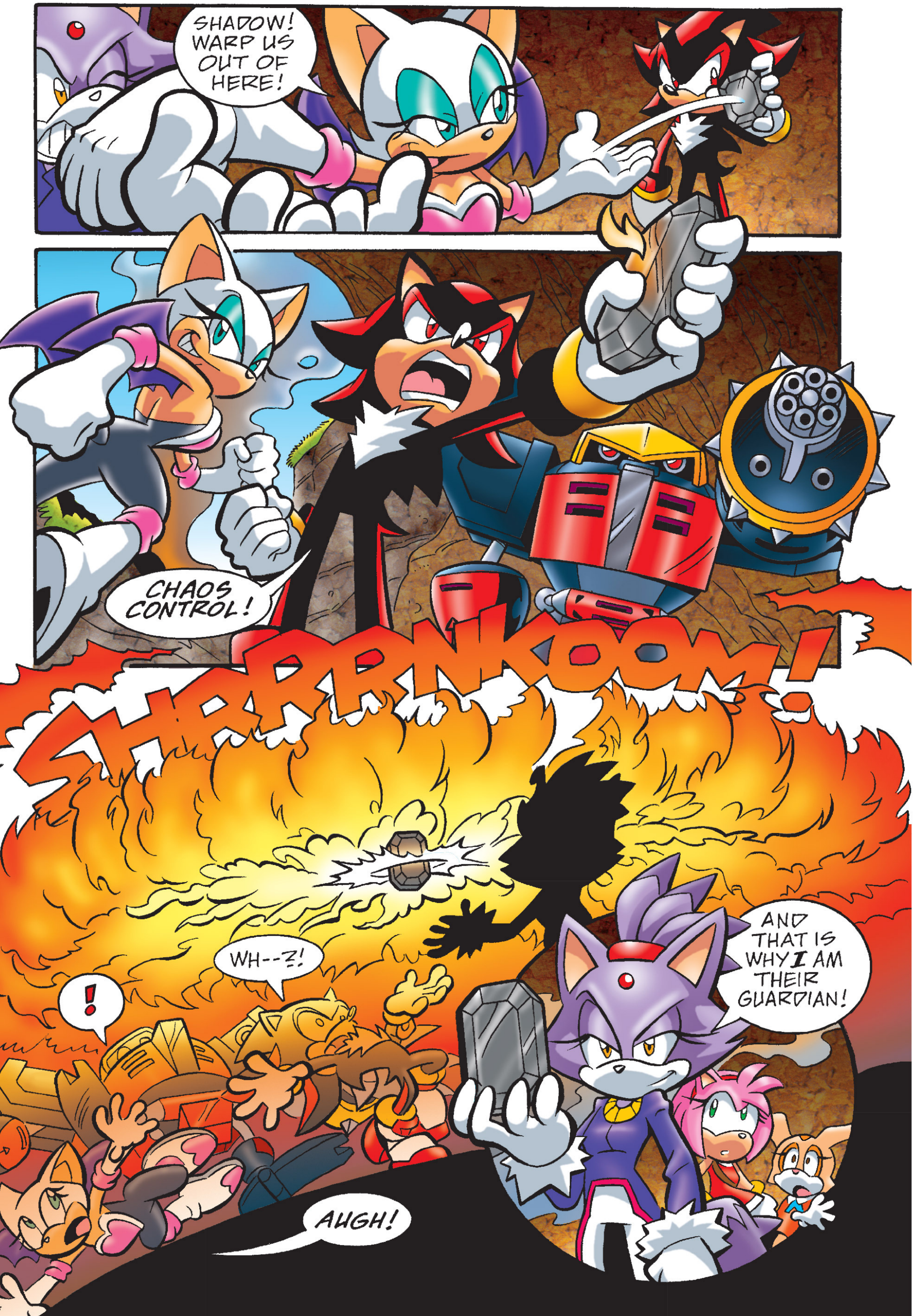

FIND SOME COVER, I'VE GOT TO HELP BLAZE!
I-I-I WANT TO HELP TOO!
HELLO?
HUH.
THE FLUFFY CAT WOMAN... TRUMPED MY BARRAGE?
HAVE YOU LOST YOUR MIND?!
RELAX! THAT WAS TO SCARE THEM, NOT--
--HURT?!
FWOOM!

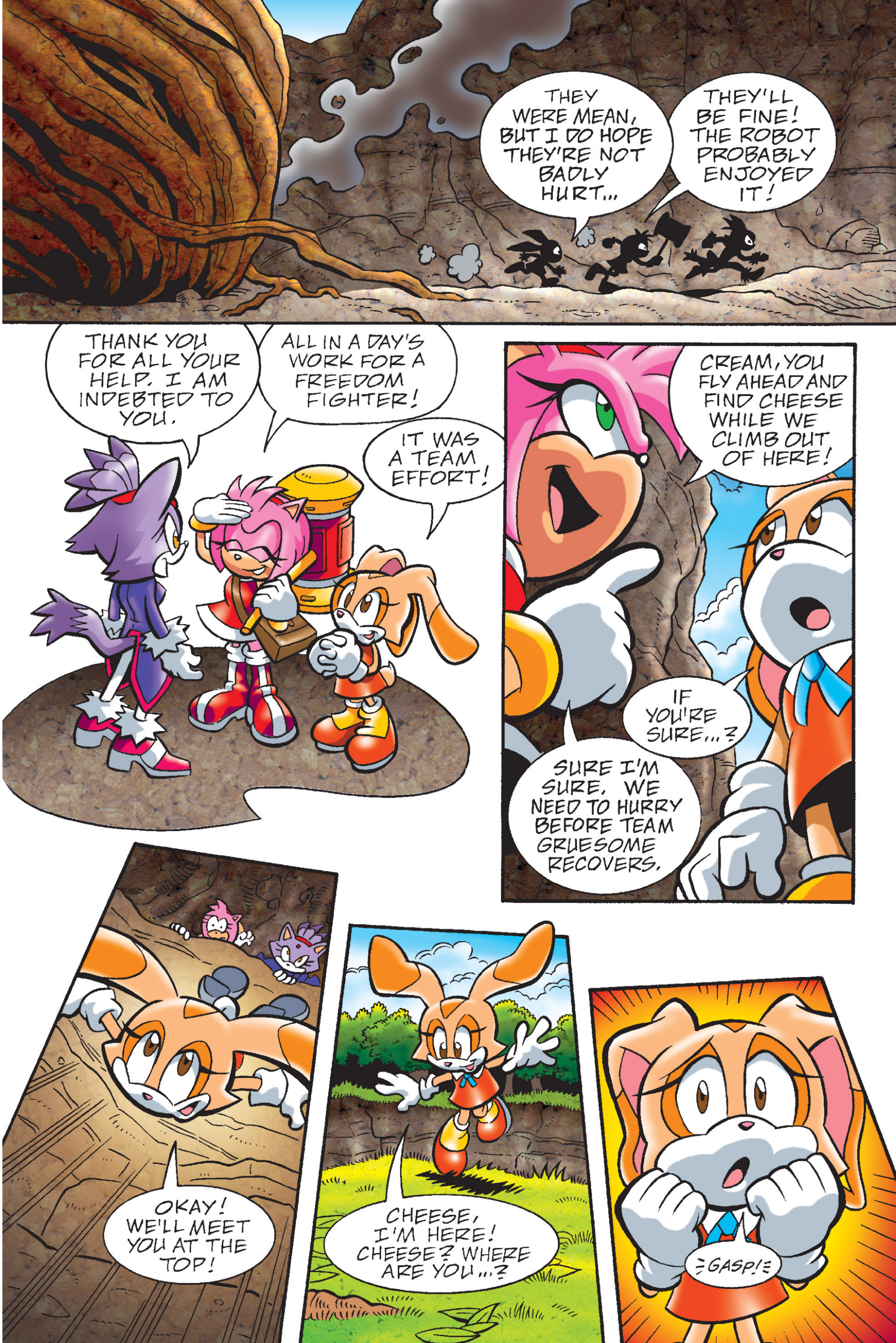

SUCH DESTRUCTIVE POWER...
CLANG!
I LIKE YOU! LET US BURN THINGS TOGETHER!
?!?
WHAT'S GOING ON NOW? HOW ABOUT NOW? ANY MORE EXPLOSIONS? C'MON, TELL MEEEEE!
JUST BE READY TO MOVE WHEN I GIVE THE WORD...
"...SO WE CAN TAKE THESE BOZOS BY SURPRISE."

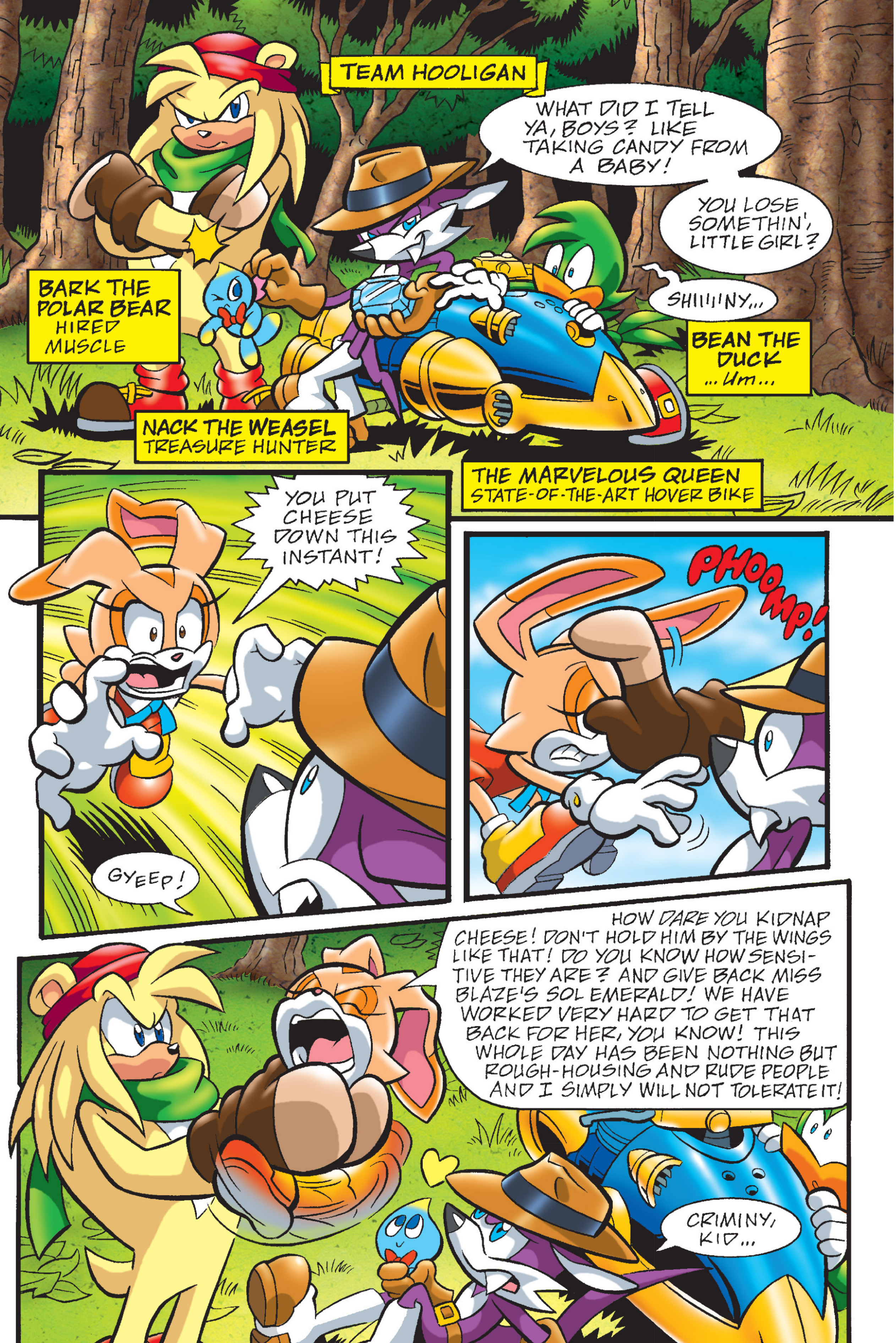

WOOP!
PIKO
TING!
AUGH!
I'VE GOT IT, MISS BLAZE!
AND I HAVE *YOU*.
TONK!
EEEEEEEK!

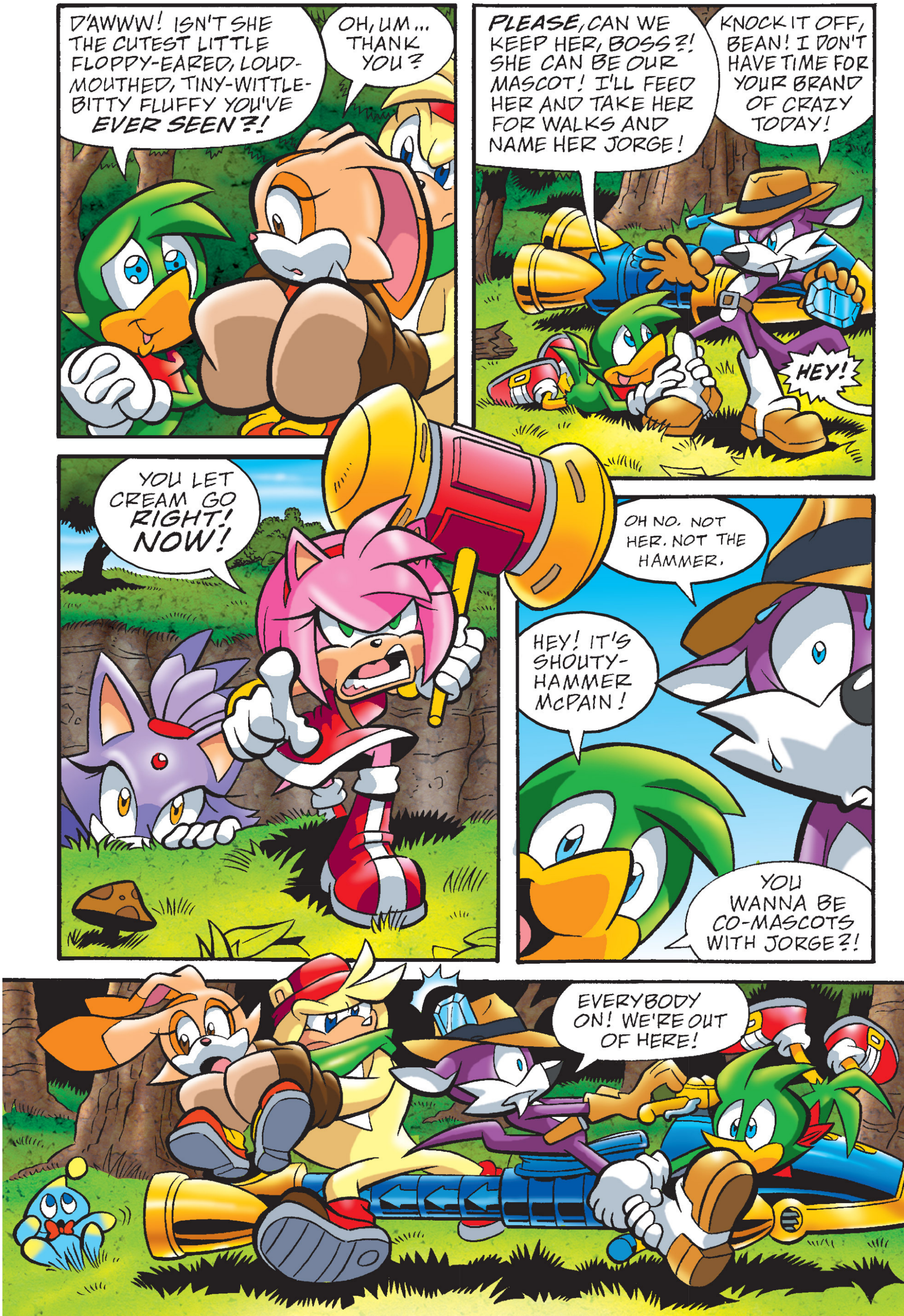

Hmph.
DROP IT!
PIKO
HRNK!
AT LAST--!
GUESS AGAIN, SWEET-HEART!
GAH!

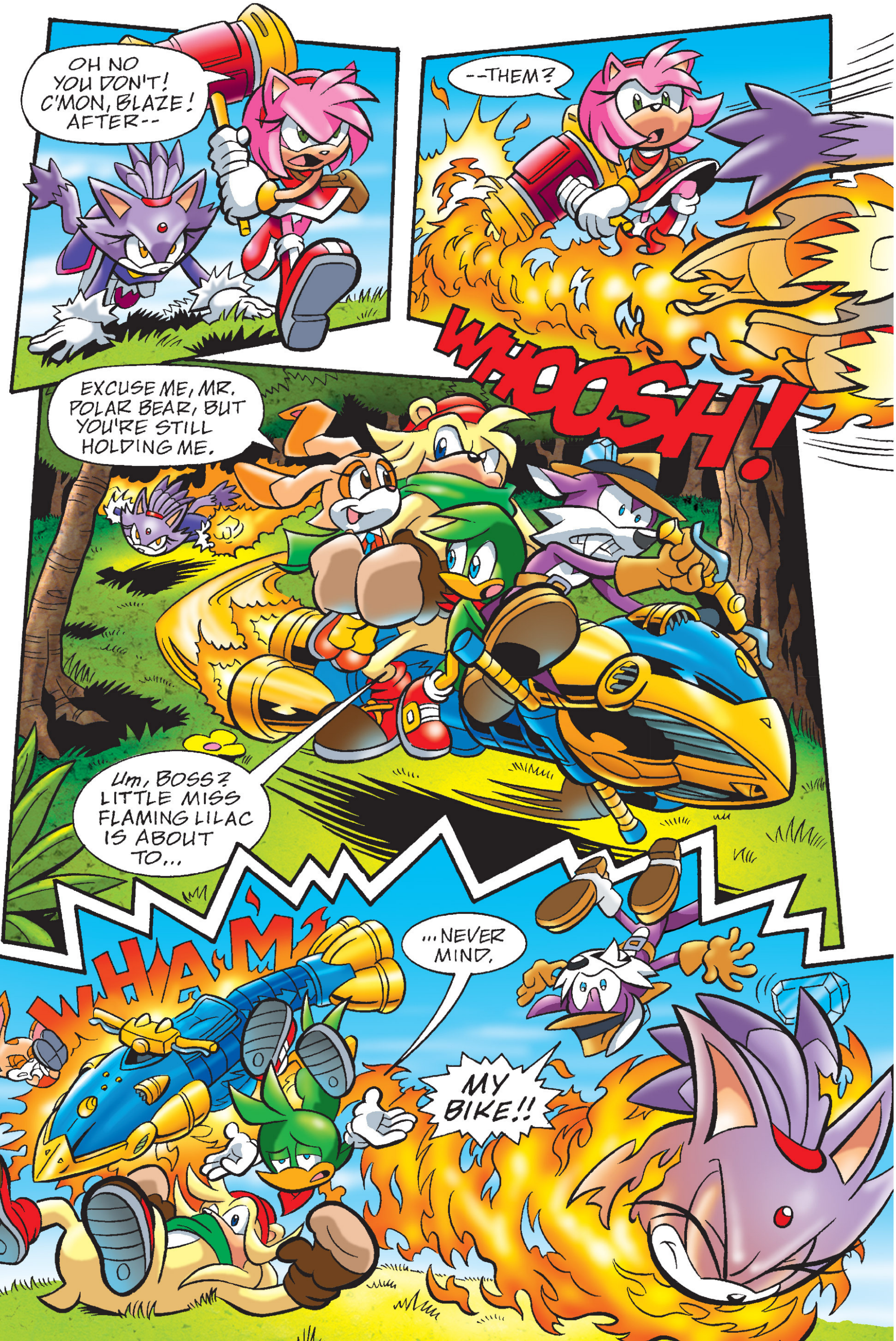

CHAOOF!
GO, CHEESE, GO! WE'LL CATCH UP TO YOU!
YOU'LL NEVER TRACK THAT TINY CHAO THROUGH THE WOODS. WE WIN.
I'LL JUST TAKE THE CONSOLATION PRIZE.
YOU SUMMONED THE GREY ONE JUST LIKE THIS, RIGHT?
DON'T--!

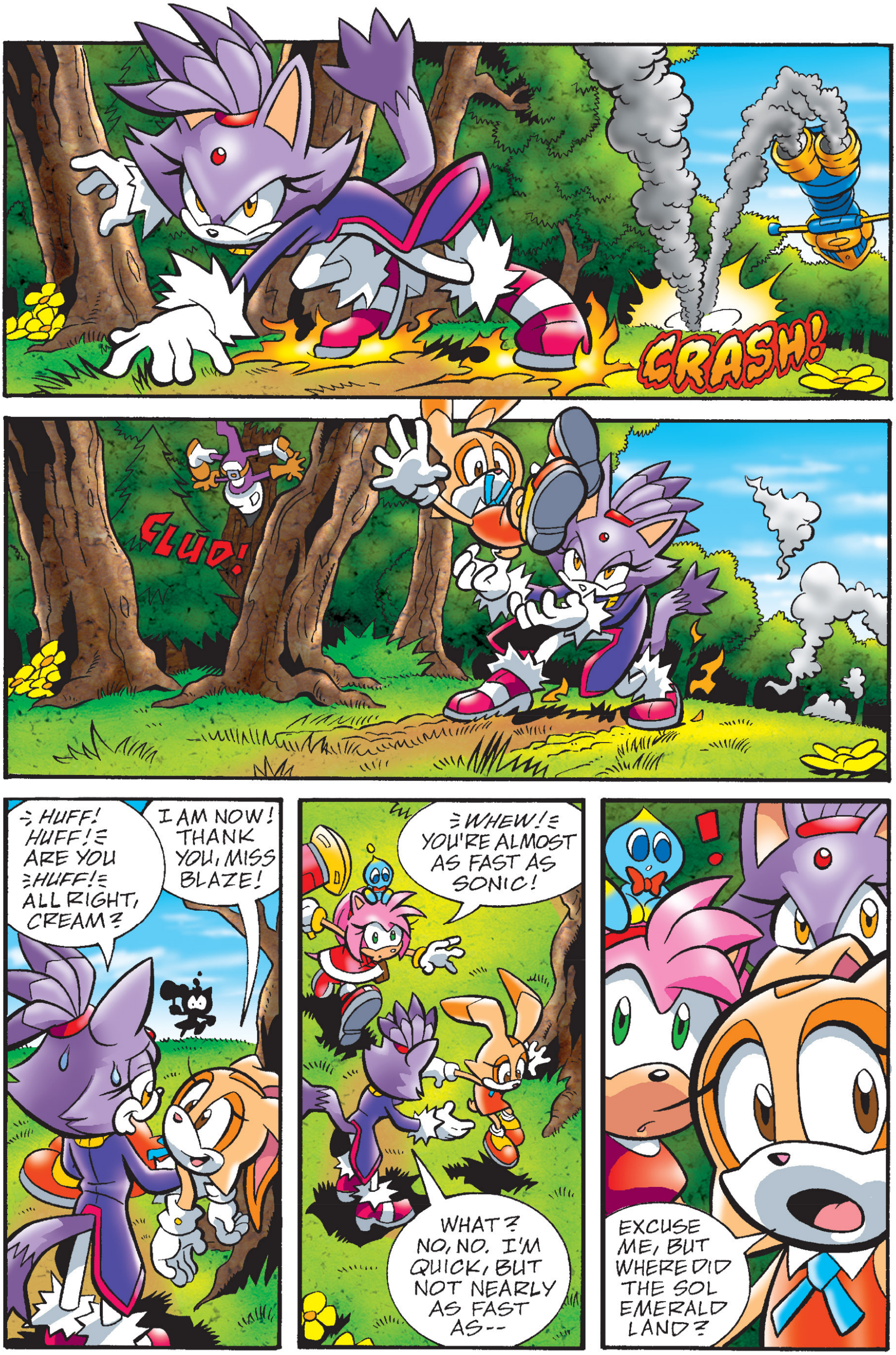

SHADOW! WARP US OUT OF HERE!
CHAOS CONTROL!
SHRRRNKOOM!
AND THAT IS WHY I AM THEIR GUARDIAN!
WH--?!
!
AUGH!

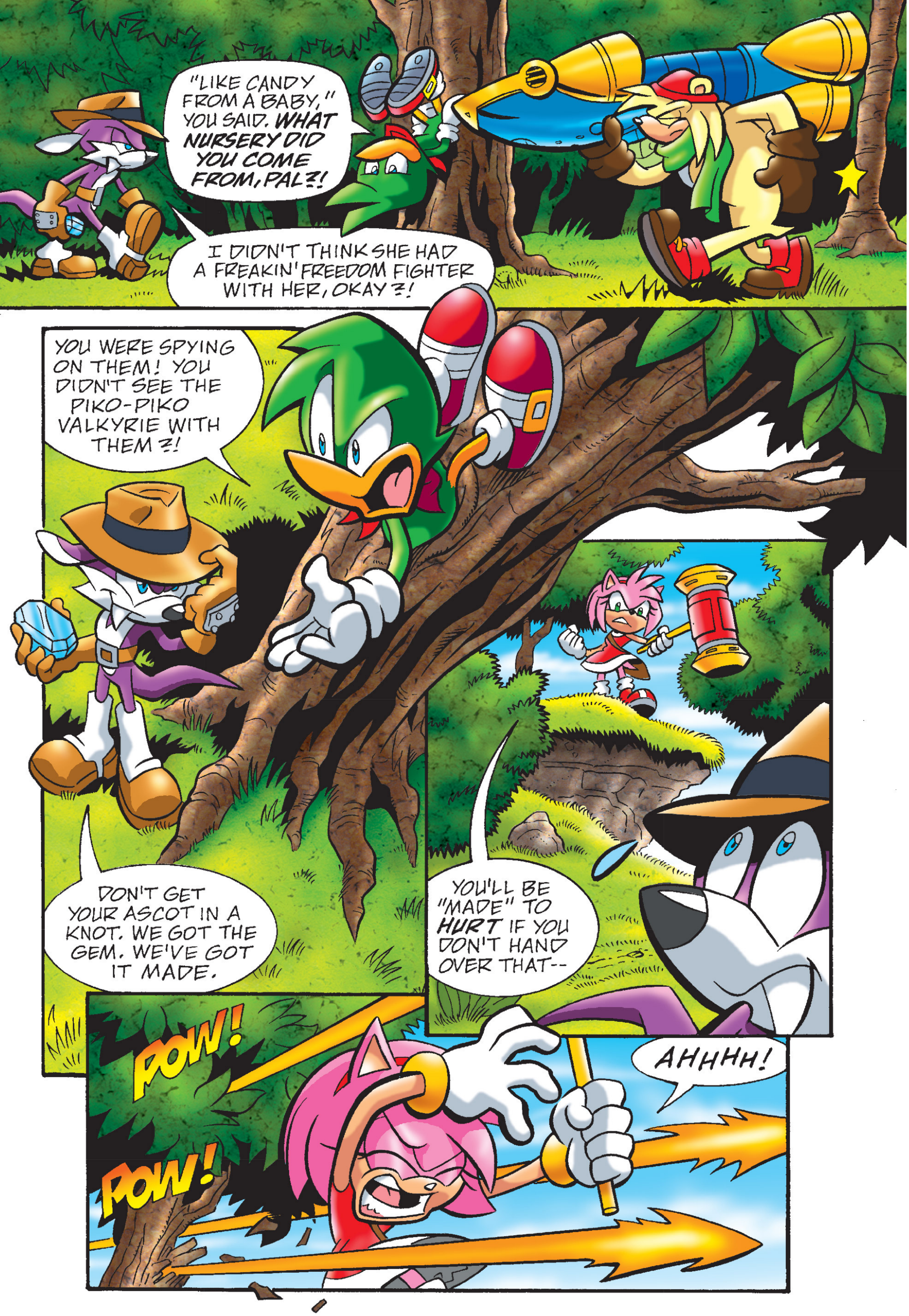

THEY WERE MEAN, BUT I DO HOPE THEY'RE NOT BADLY HURT...
THEY'LL BE FINE! THE ROBOT PROBABLY ENJOYED IT!
THANK YOU FOR ALL YOUR HELP. I AM INDEBTED TO YOU.
ALL IN A DAY'S WORK FOR A FREEDOM FIGHTER!
IT WAS A TEAM EFFORT!
CREAM, YOU FLY AHEAD AND FIND CHEESE WHILE WE CLIMB OUT OF HERE!
IF YOU'RE SURE...?
SURE I'M SURE. WE NEED TO HURRY BEFORE TEAM GRUESOME RECOVERS.
OKAY! WE'LL MEET YOU AT THE TOP!
CHEESE, I'M HERE! CHEESE? WHERE ARE YOU...?
GASP!

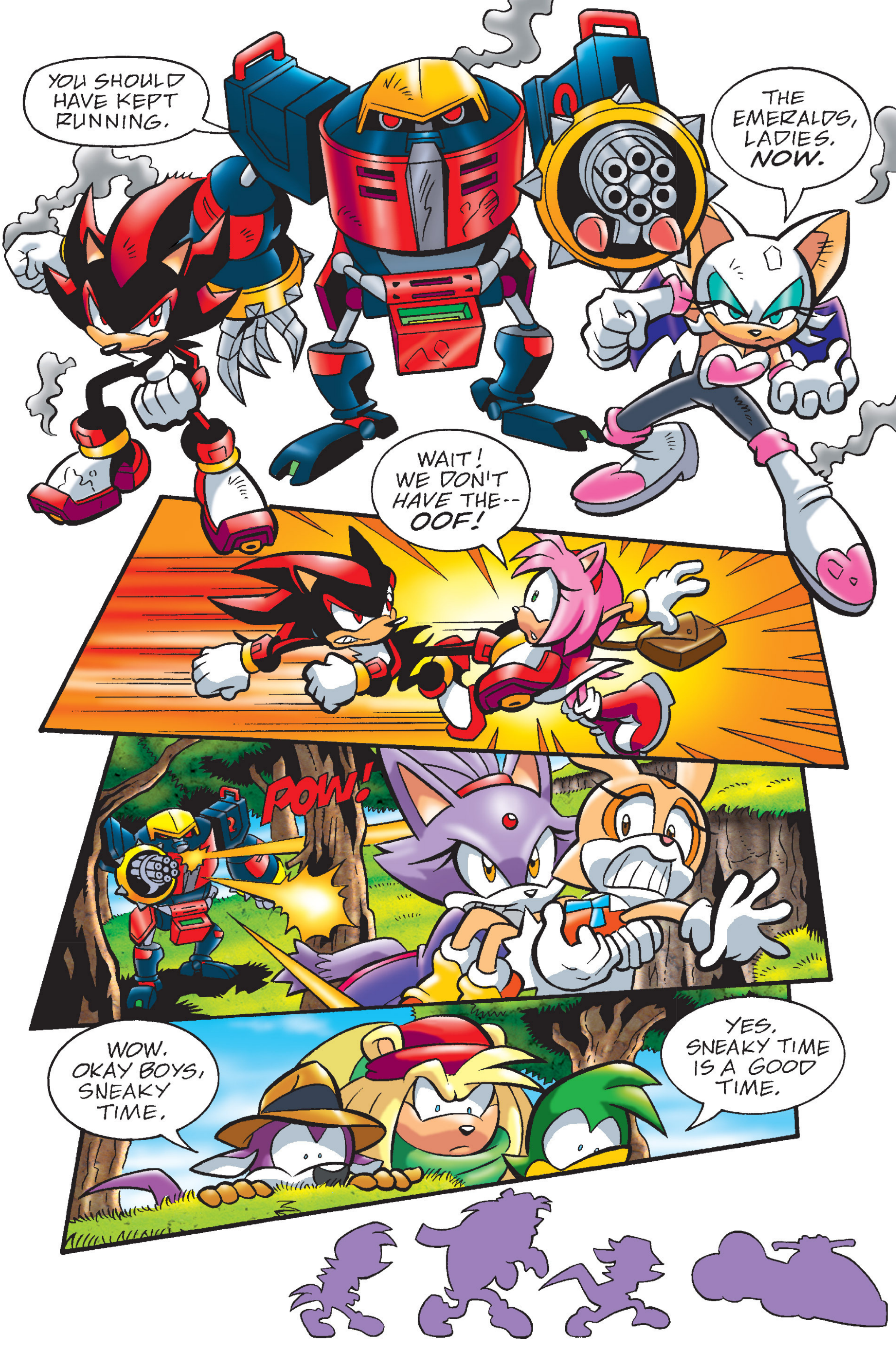

TEAM HOOLIGAN
WHAT DID I TELL YA, BOYS? LIKE TAKING CANDY FROM A BABY!
YOU LOSE SOMETHIN', LITTLE GIRL?
SHIIIINY...
BARK THE POLAR BEAR HIRED MUSCLE
BEAN THE DUCK ...Um...
NACK THE WEASEL TREASURE HUNTER
THE MARVELOUS QUEEN STATE-OF-THE-ART HOVER BIKE
YOU PUT CHEESE DOWN THIS INSTANT!
GYEEP!
PHOOMP!
HOW DARE YOU KIDNAP CHEESE! DON'T HOLD HIM BY THE WINGS LIKE THAT! DO YOU KNOW HOW SENSITIVE THEY ARE? AND GIVE BACK MISS BLAZE'S SOL EMERALD! WE HAVE WORKED VERY HARD TO GET THAT BACK FOR HER, YOU KNOW! THIS WHOLE DAY HAS BEEN NOTHING BUT ROUGH-HOUSING AND RUDE PEOPLE AND I SIMPLY WILL NOT TOLERATE IT!
CRIMINY, KID...

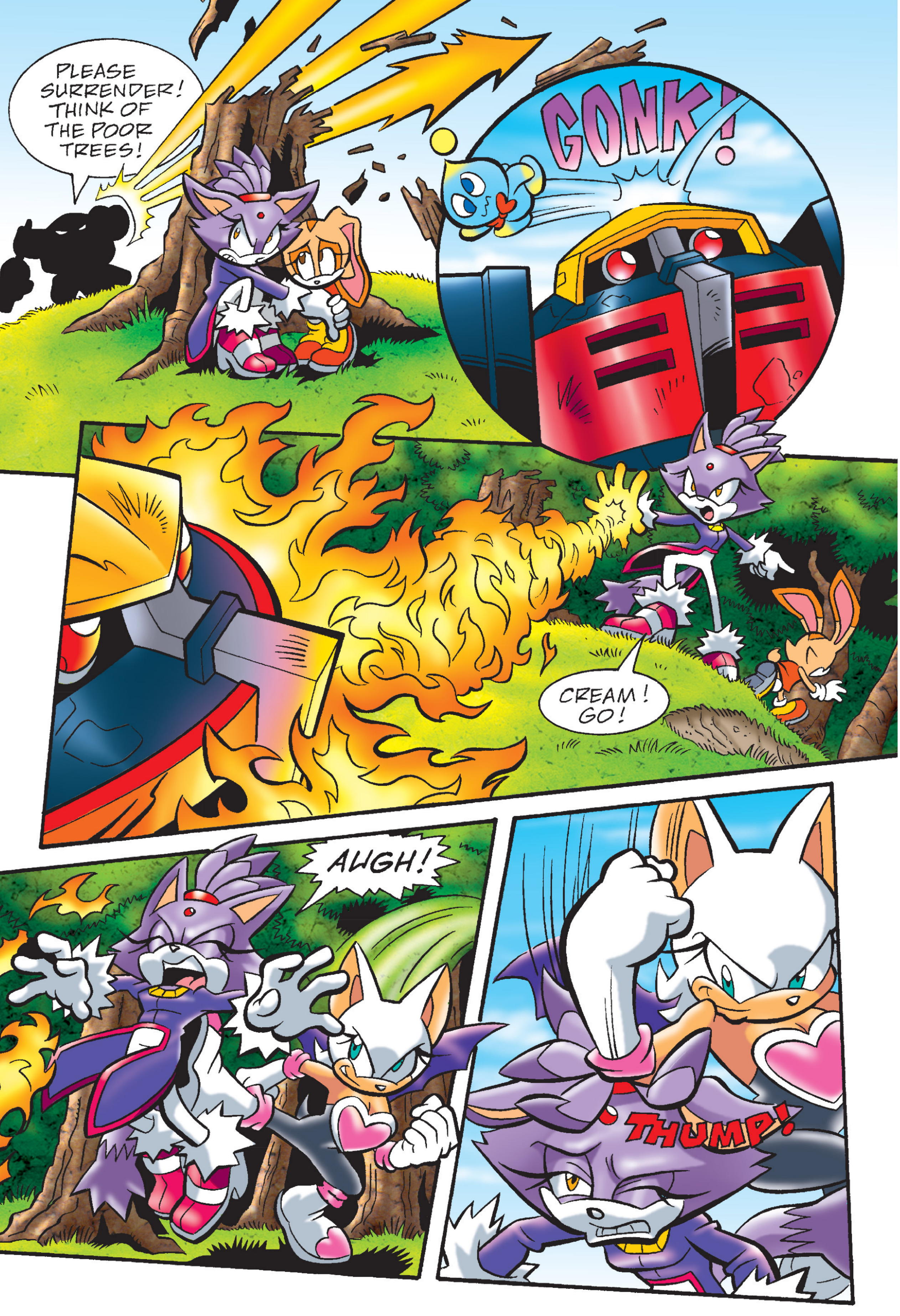

D'AWWW! ISN'T SHE THE CUTEST LITTLE FLOPPY-EARED, LOUD-MOUTHED, TINY-WITTLE-BITTY FLUFFY YOU'VE *EVER SEEN*?!
OH, UM... THANK YOU?
PLEASE, CAN WE KEEP HER, BOSS?! SHE CAN BE OUR MASCOT! I'LL FEED HER AND TAKE HER FOR WALKS AND NAME HER JORGE!
KNOCK IT OFF, BEAN! I DON'T HAVE TIME FOR YOUR BRAND OF CRAZY TODAY!
HEY!
YOU LET CREAM GO *RIGHT! NOW!*
OH NO. NOT HER. NOT THE HAMMER.
HEY! IT'S SHOUTY-HAMMER McPAIN!
YOU WANNA BE CO-MASCOTS WITH JORGE?!
EVERYBODY ON! WE'RE OUT OF HERE!

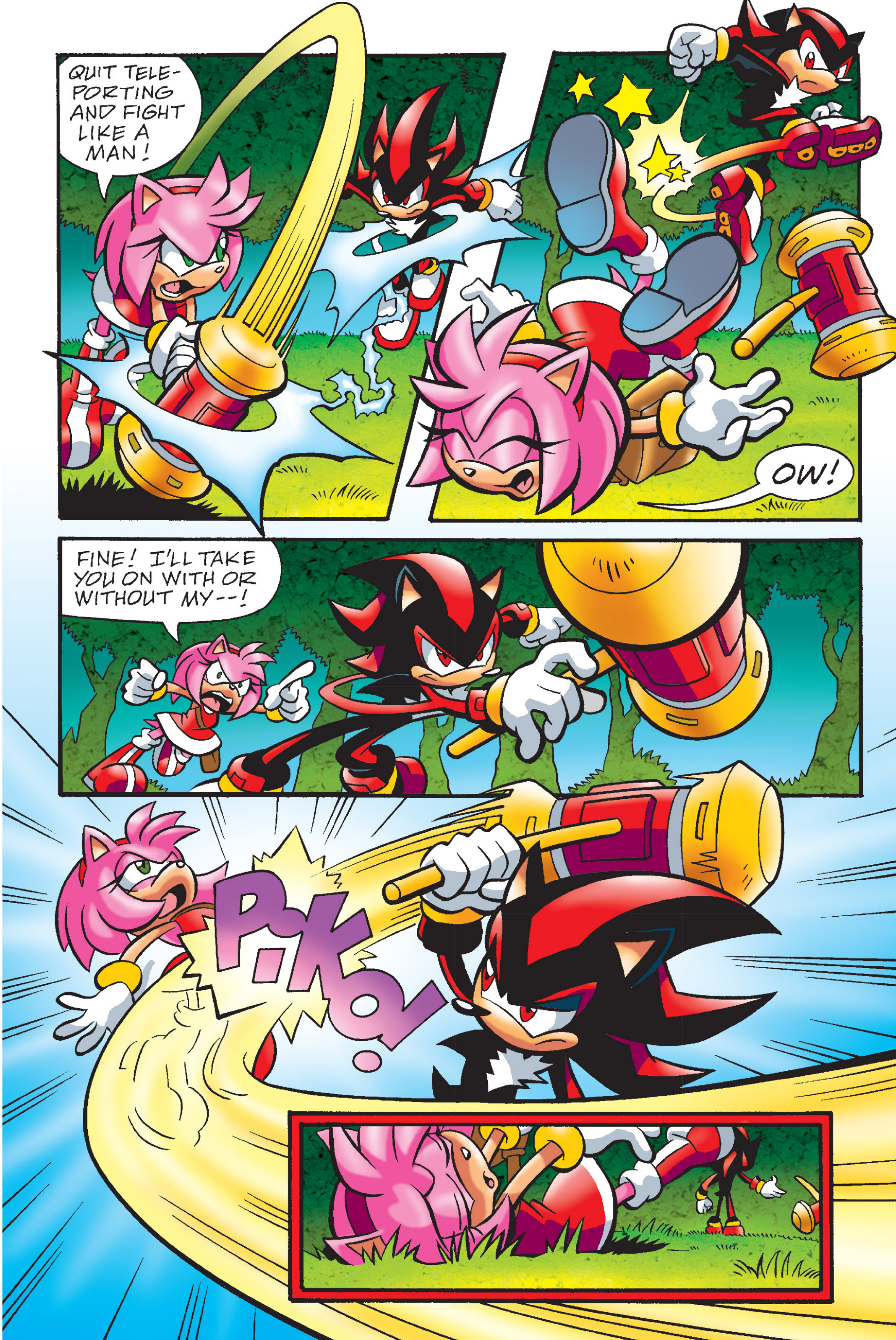

OH NO YOU DON'T! C'MON, BLAZE! AFTER--
--THEM?
WHOOSH!
EXCUSE ME, MR. POLAR BEAR, BUT YOU'RE STILL HOLDING ME.
Um, BOSS? LITTLE MISS FLAMING LILAC IS ABOUT TO...
WHAM
...NEVER MIND.
MY BIKE!!

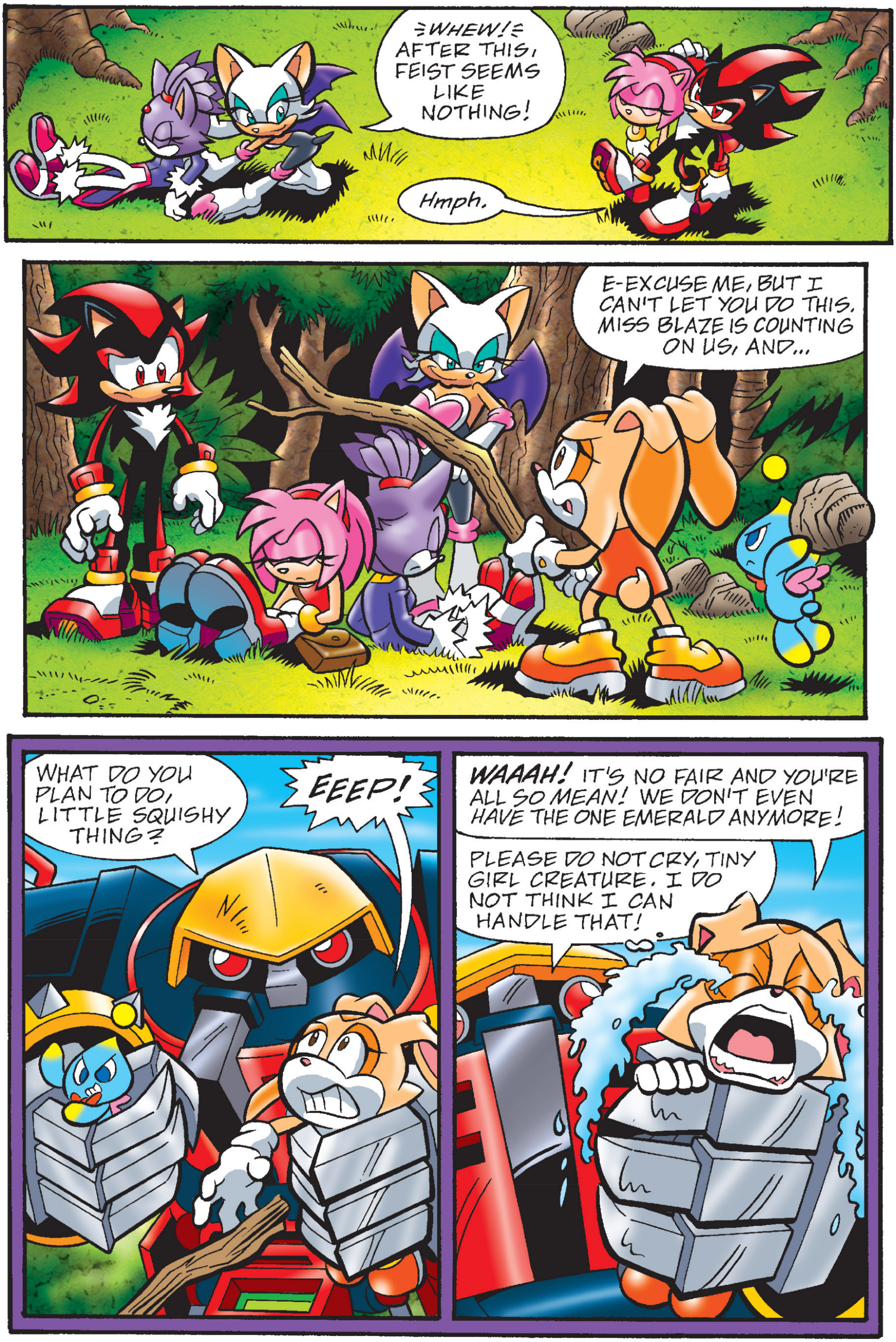

CRASH!
CLUD!
≡HUFF! HUFF!≡ ARE YOU ≡HUFF!≡ ALL RIGHT, CREAM?
I AM NOW! THANK YOU, MISS BLAZE!
≡WHEW!≡ YOU'RE ALMOST AS FAST AS SONIC!
WHAT? NO, NO. I'M QUICK, BUT NOT NEARLY AS FAST AS--
!
EXCUSE ME, BUT WHERE DID THE SOL EMERALD LAND?

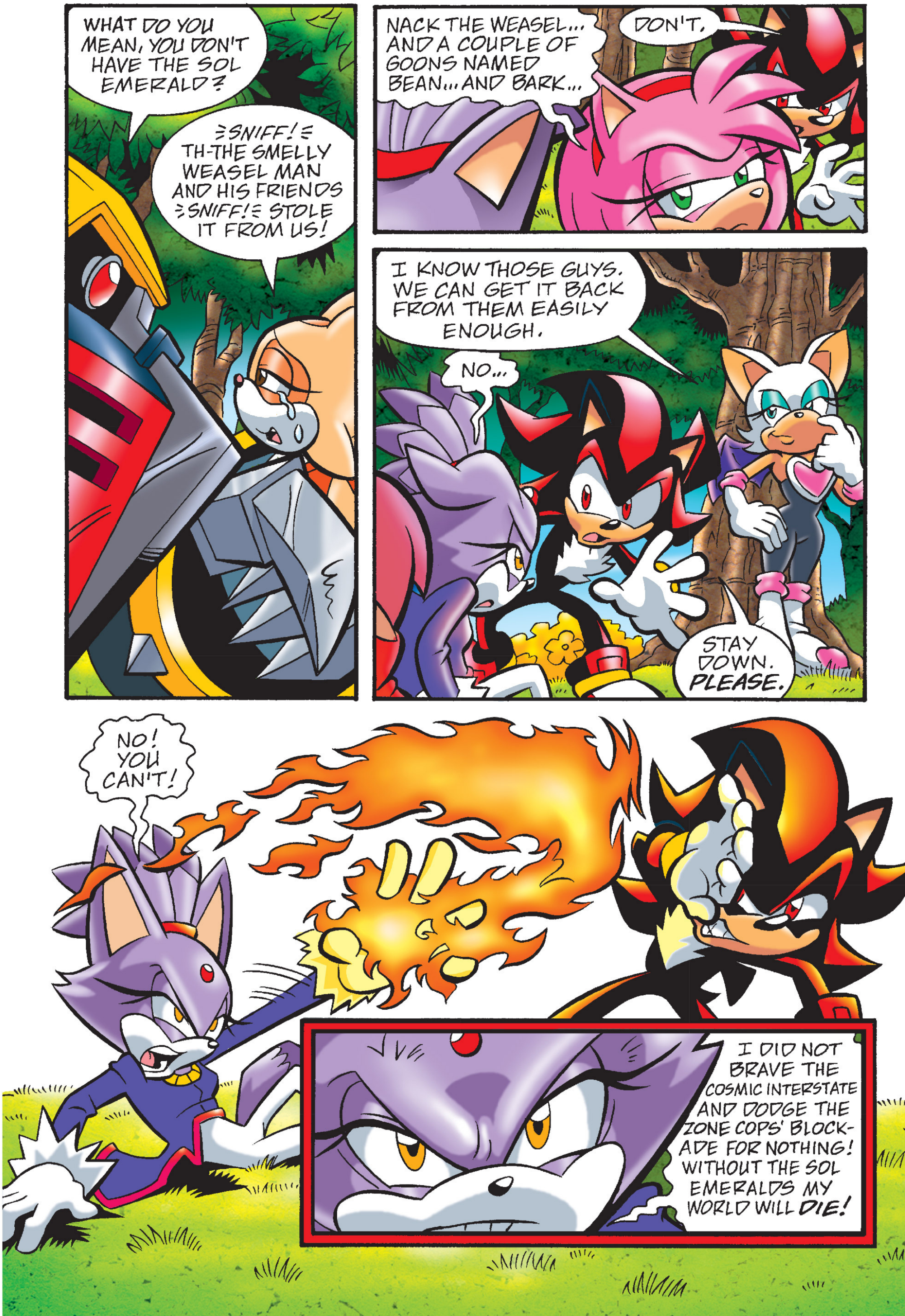

"LIKE CANDY FROM A BABY," YOU SAID. WHAT NURSERY DID YOU COME FROM, PAL?!
I DIDN'T THINK SHE HAD A FREAKIN' FREEDOM FIGHTER WITH HER, OKAY?!
YOU WERE SPYING ON THEM! YOU DIDN'T SEE THE PIKO-PIKO VALKYRIE WITH THEM?!
DON'T GET YOUR ASCOT IN A KNOT. WE GOT THE GEM. WE'VE GOT IT MADE.
YOU'LL BE "MADE" TO HURT IF YOU DON'T HAND OVER THAT--
POW!
POW!
AHHHH!

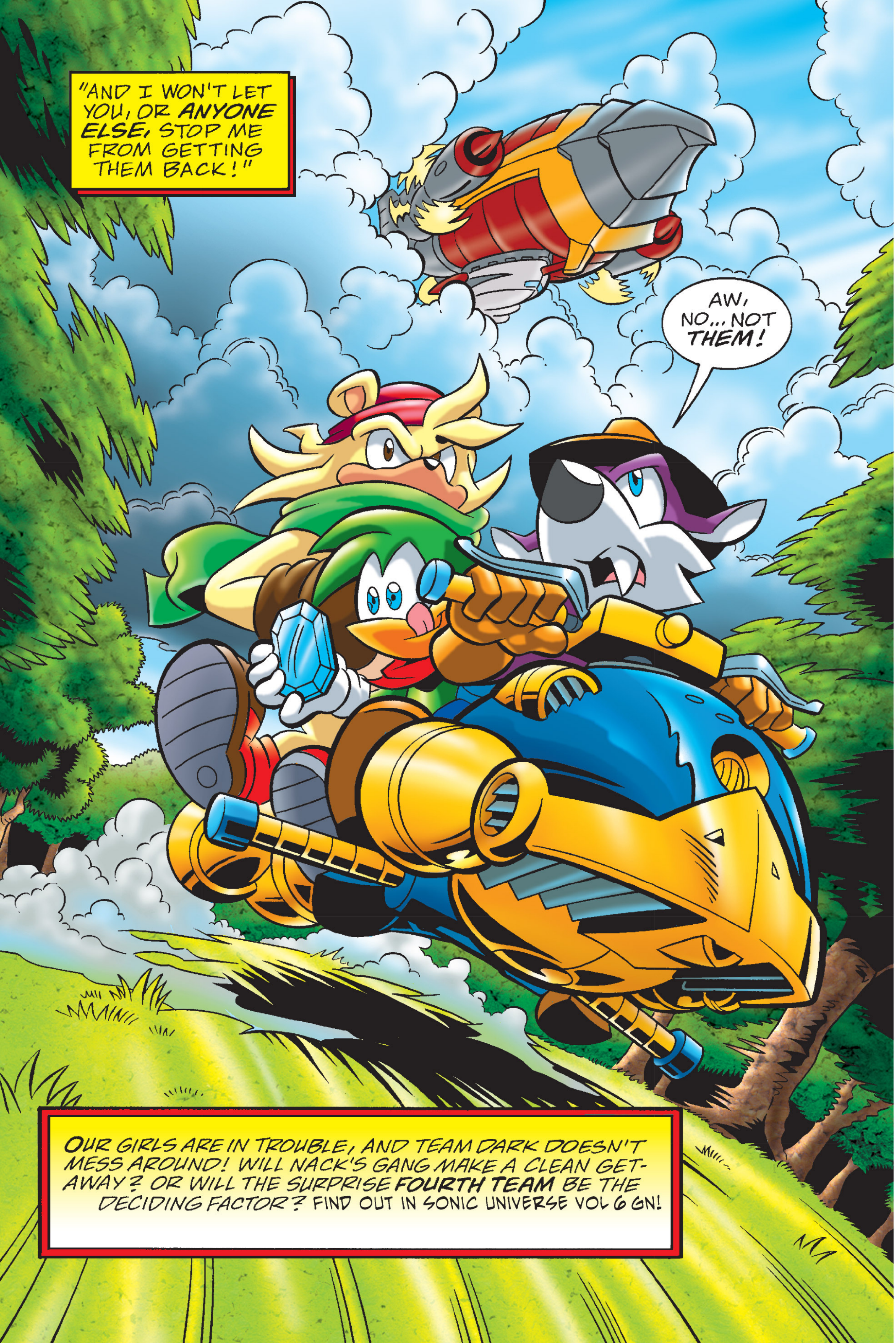

YOU SHOULD HAVE KEPT RUNNING.
THE EMERALDS, LADIES. **NOW.**
WAIT! WE DON'T HAVE THE-- *OOF!*
POW!
WOW. OKAY BOYS, SNEAKY TIME.
YES. SNEAKY TIME IS A GOOD TIME.


PLEASE SURRENDER! THINK OF THE POOR TREES!
GONK!
CREAM! GO!
AWGH!
THUMP!


QUIT TELE-PORTING AND FIGHT LIKE A MAN!
OW!
FINE! I'LL TAKE YOU ON WITH OR WITHOUT MY--!
PiKo!


≡WHEW!≡ AFTER THIS, FEIST SEEMS LIKE NOTHING!
Hmph.
E-EXCUSE ME, BUT I CAN'T LET YOU DO THIS. MISS BLAZE IS COUNTING ON US, AND...
WHAT DO YOU PLAN TO DO, LITTLE SQUISHY THING?
EEEP!
WAAAH! IT'S NO FAIR AND YOU'RE ALL SO MEAN! WE DON'T EVEN HAVE THE ONE EMERALD ANYMORE!
PLEASE DO NOT CRY, TINY GIRL CREATURE. I DO NOT THINK I CAN HANDLE THAT!


WHAT DO YOU MEAN, YOU DON'T HAVE THE SOL EMERALD?
≡SNIFF!≡ TH-THE SMELLY WEASEL MAN AND HIS FRIENDS ≡SNIFF!≡ STOLE IT FROM US!
NACK THE WEASEL... AND A COUPLE OF GOONS NAMED BEAN... AND BARK...
DON'T.
I KNOW THOSE GUYS. WE CAN GET IT BACK FROM THEM EASILY ENOUGH.
NO...
STAY DOWN. **PLEASE.**
NO! YOU CAN'T!
I DID NOT BRAVE THE COSMIC INTERSTATE AND DODGE THE ZONE COPS' BLOCKADE FOR NOTHING! WITHOUT THE SOL EMERALDS MY WORLD WILL **DIE!**


"AND I WON'T LET YOU, OR ANYONE ELSE, STOP ME FROM GETTING THEM BACK!"
AW, NO... NOT THEM!
OUR GIRLS ARE IN TROUBLE, AND TEAM DARK DOESN'T MESS AROUND! WILL NACK'S GANG MAKE A CLEAN GET-AWAY? OR WILL THE SURPRISE FOURTH TEAM BE THE DECIDING FACTOR? FIND OUT IN SONIC UNIVERSE VOL 6 GN!

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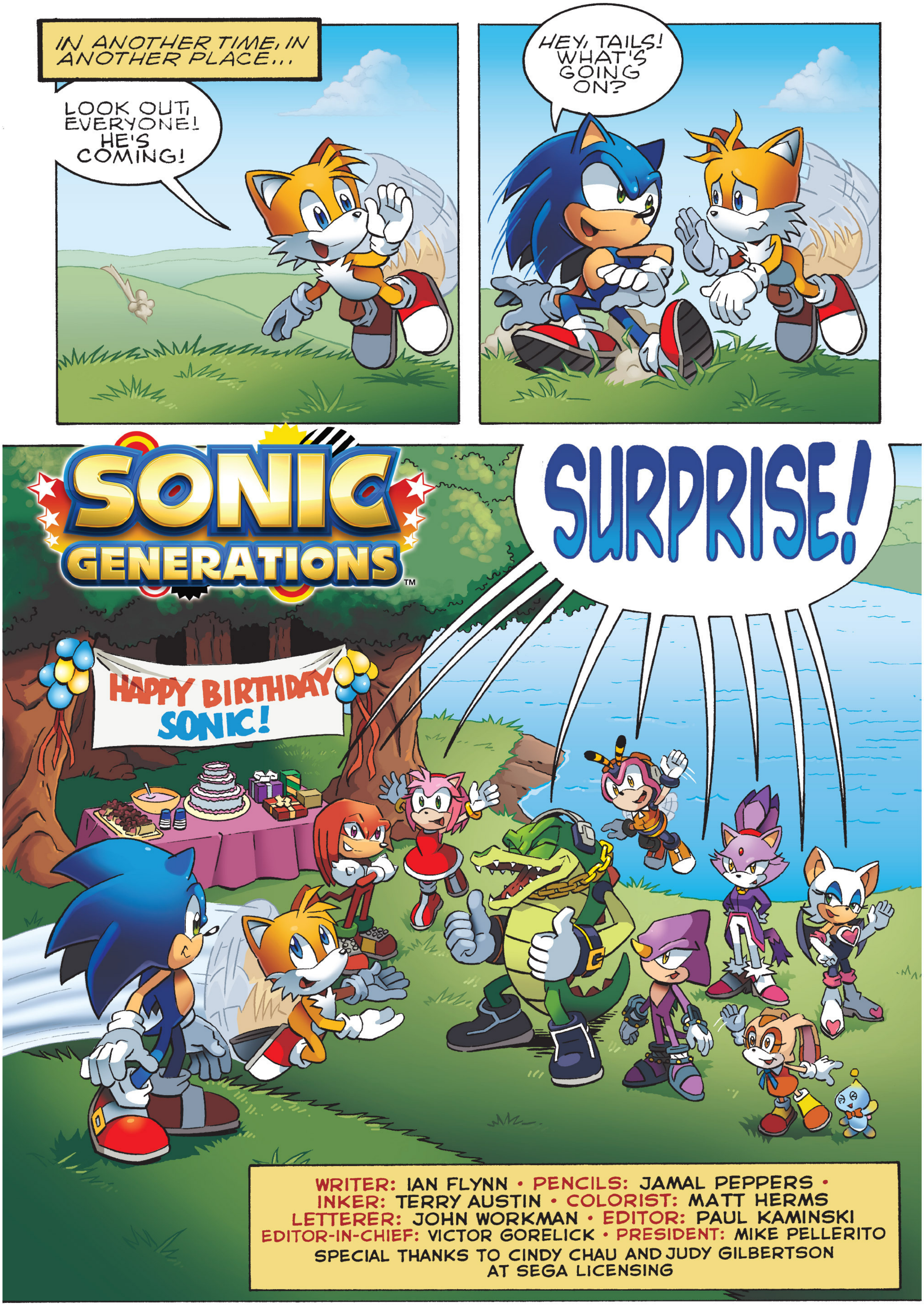
IN ANOTHER TIME, IN ANOTHER PLACE...
LOOK OUT, EVERYONE! HE'S COMING!
HEY, TAILS! WHAT'S GOING ON?
SONIC GENERATIONS™
SURPRISE!
HAPPY BIRTHDAY SONIC!

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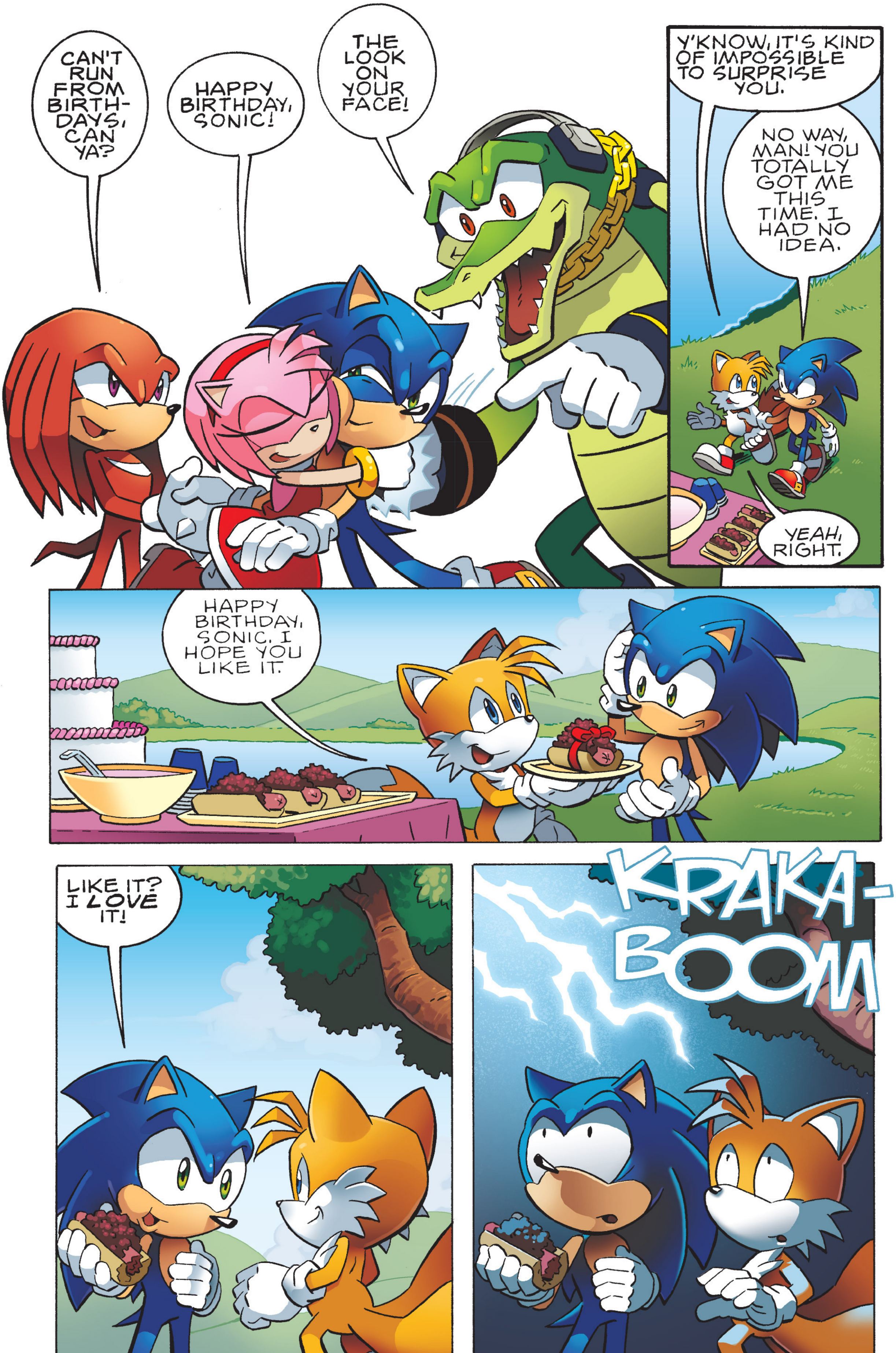
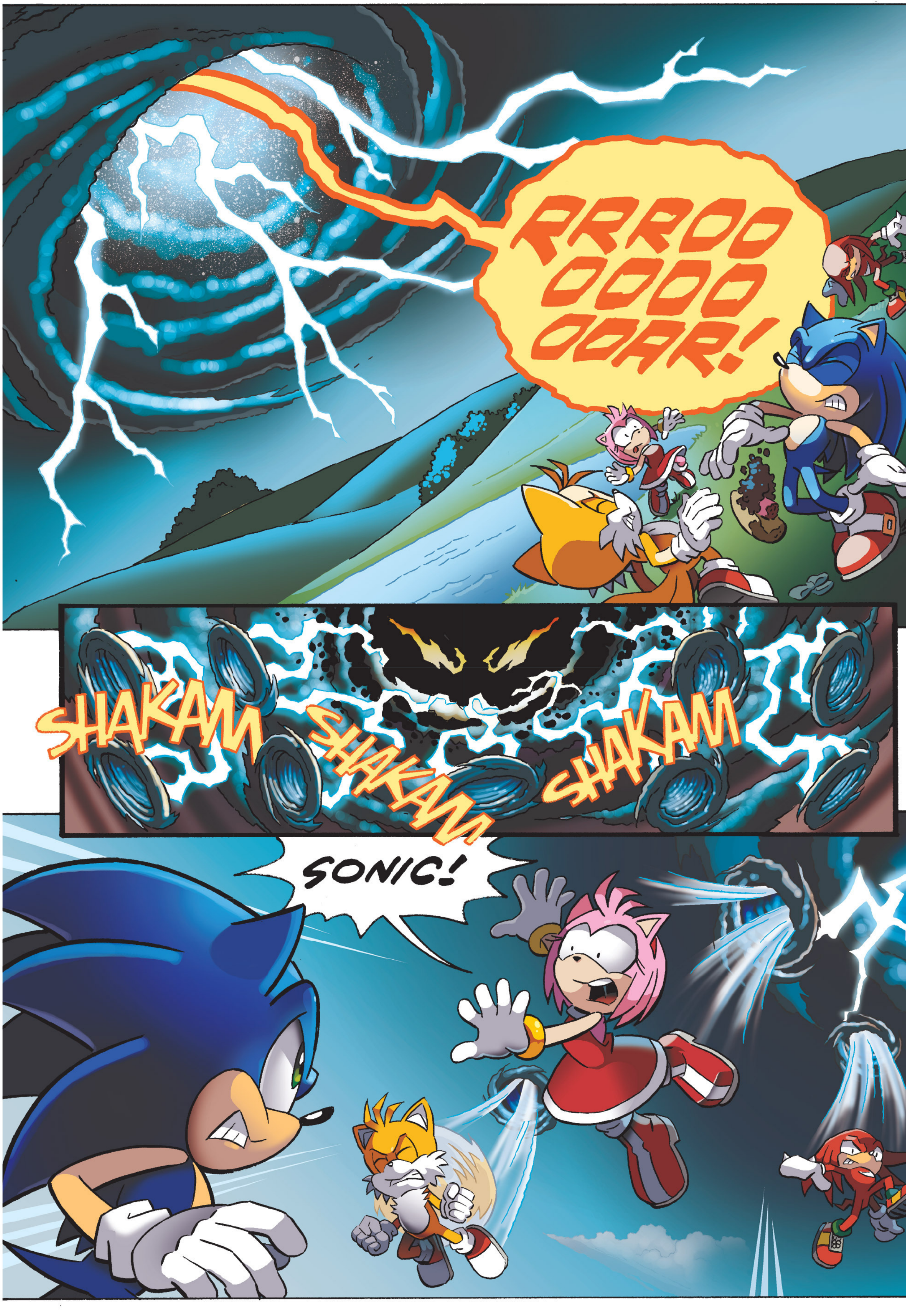

CAN'T RUN FROM BIRTHDAYS, CAN YA?
HAPPY BIRTHDAY, SONIC!
THE LOOK ON YOUR FACE!
Y'KNOW, IT'S KIND OF IMPOSSIBLE TO SURPRISE YOU.
NO WAY, MAN! YOU TOTALLY GOT ME THIS TIME. I HAD NO IDEA.
YEAH, RIGHT.
HAPPY BIRTHDAY, SONIC. I HOPE YOU LIKE IT.
LIKE IT? I *LOVE* IT!
KRAKA-BOOM


RRROO
OOOO
OOAR!
SHAKAM
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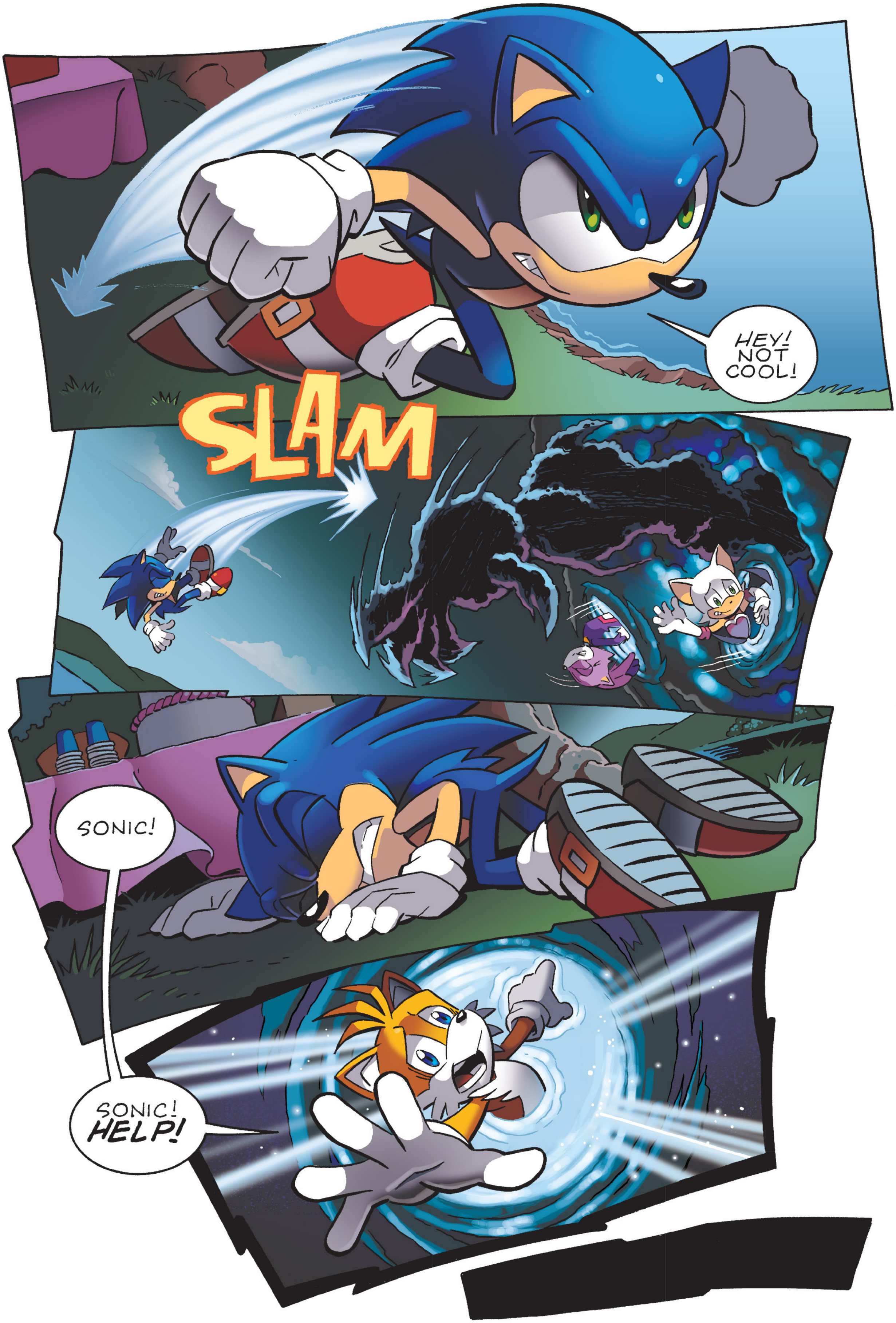
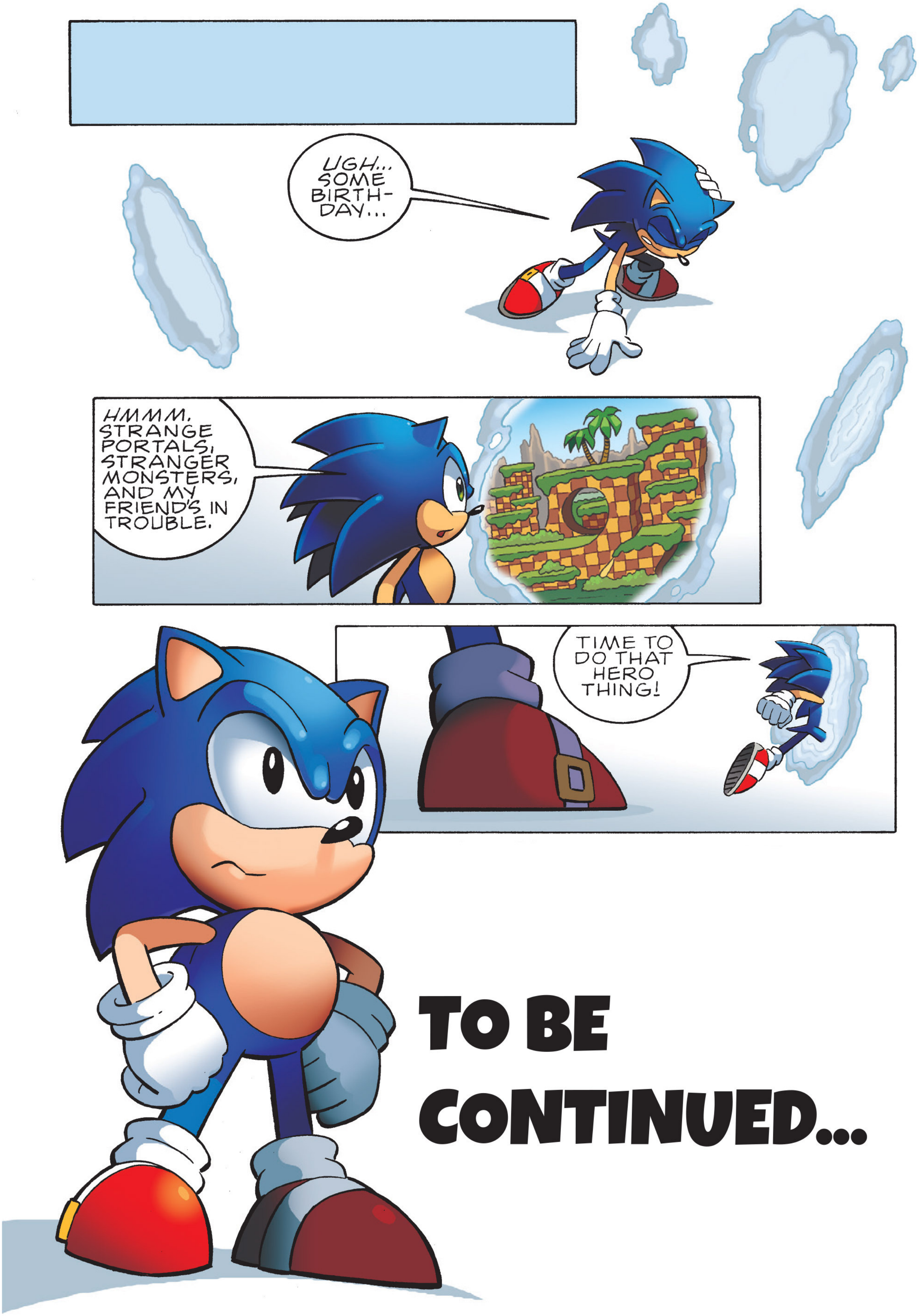
SONIC!


HEY! NOT COOL!
SLAM
SONIC!
SONIC! HELP!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HMMM. STRANGE PORTALS, STRANGER MONSTERS, AND MY FRIEND'S IN TROUBLE.
TIME TO DO THAT HERO THING!
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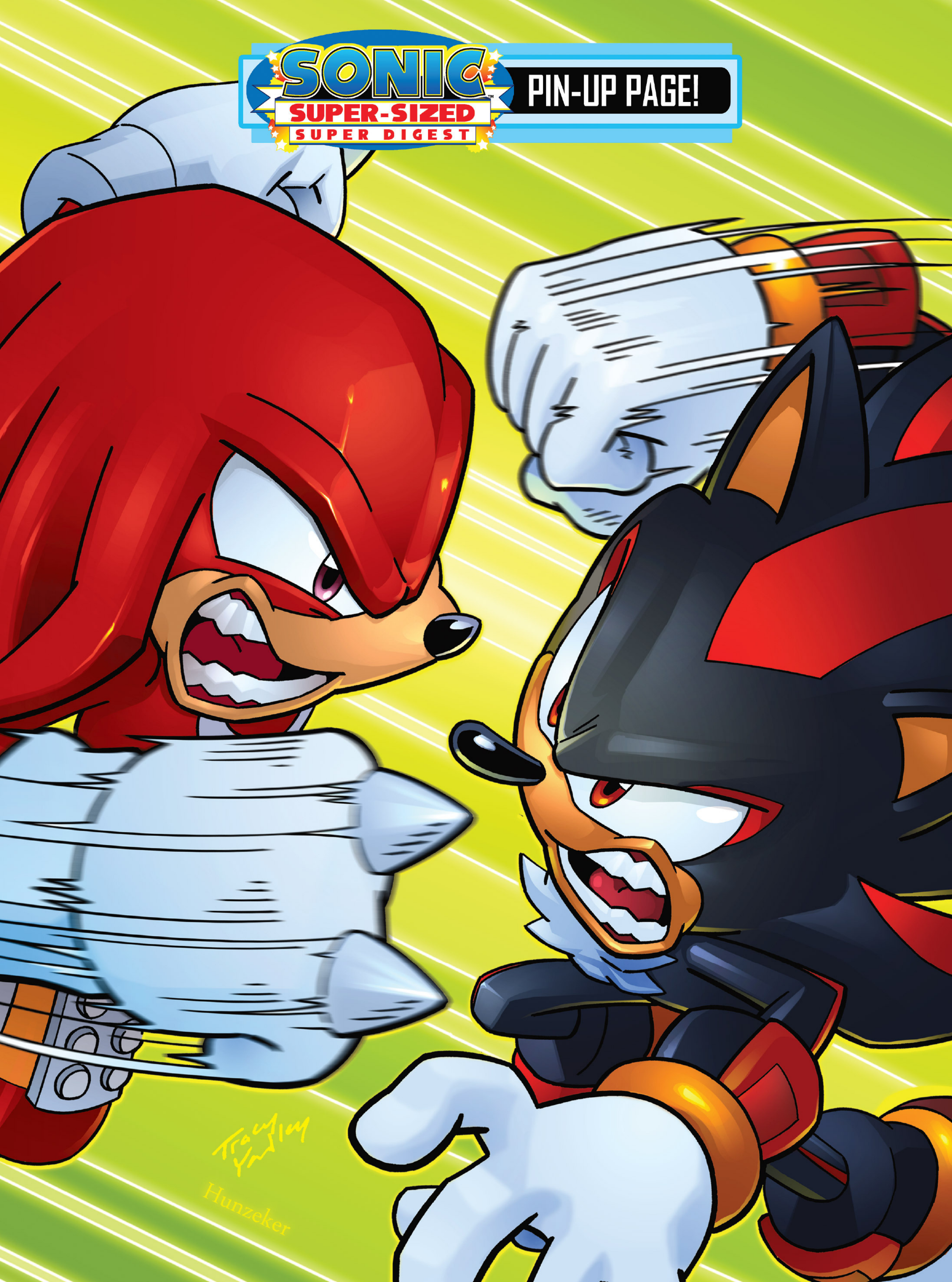
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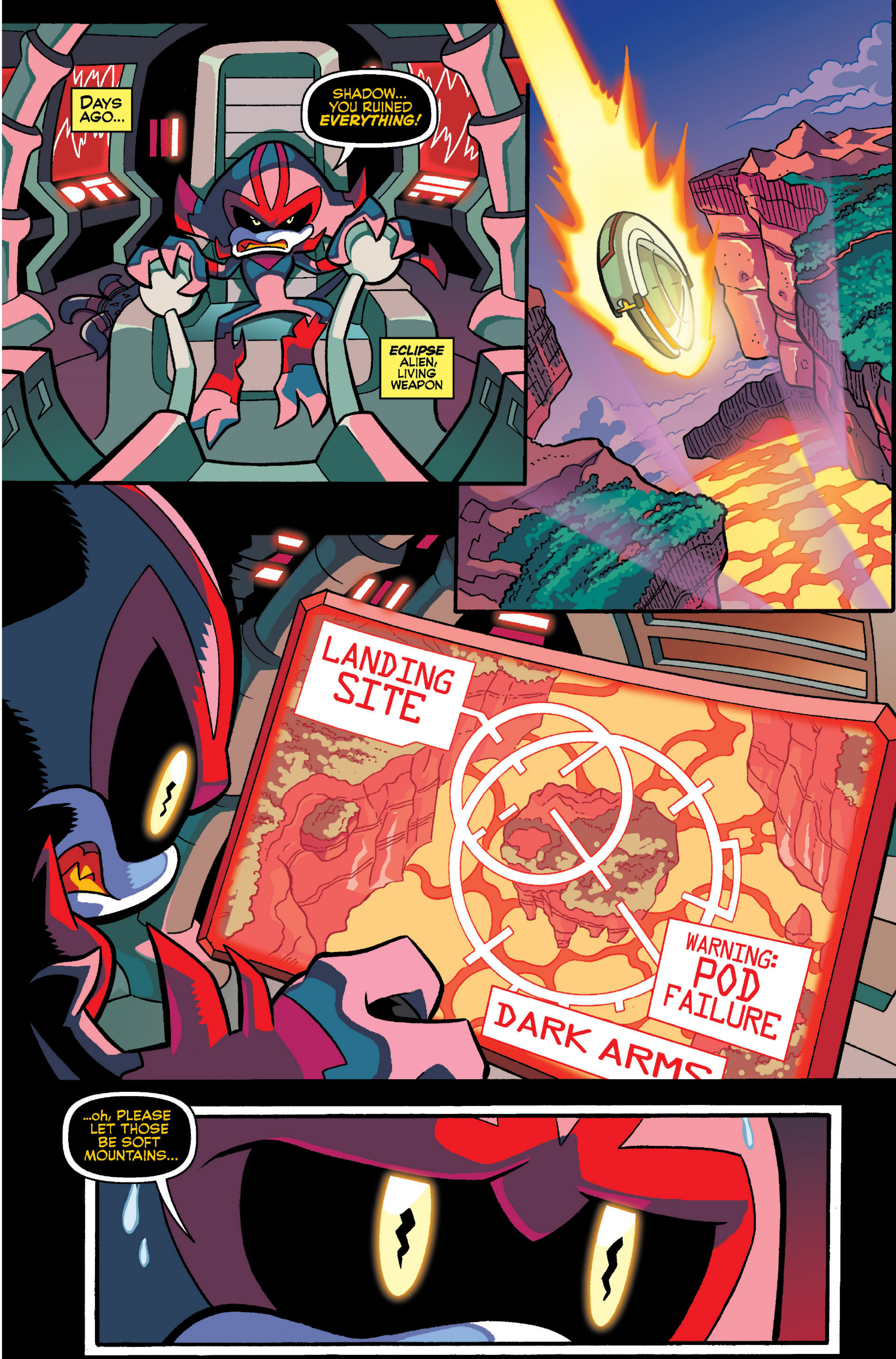
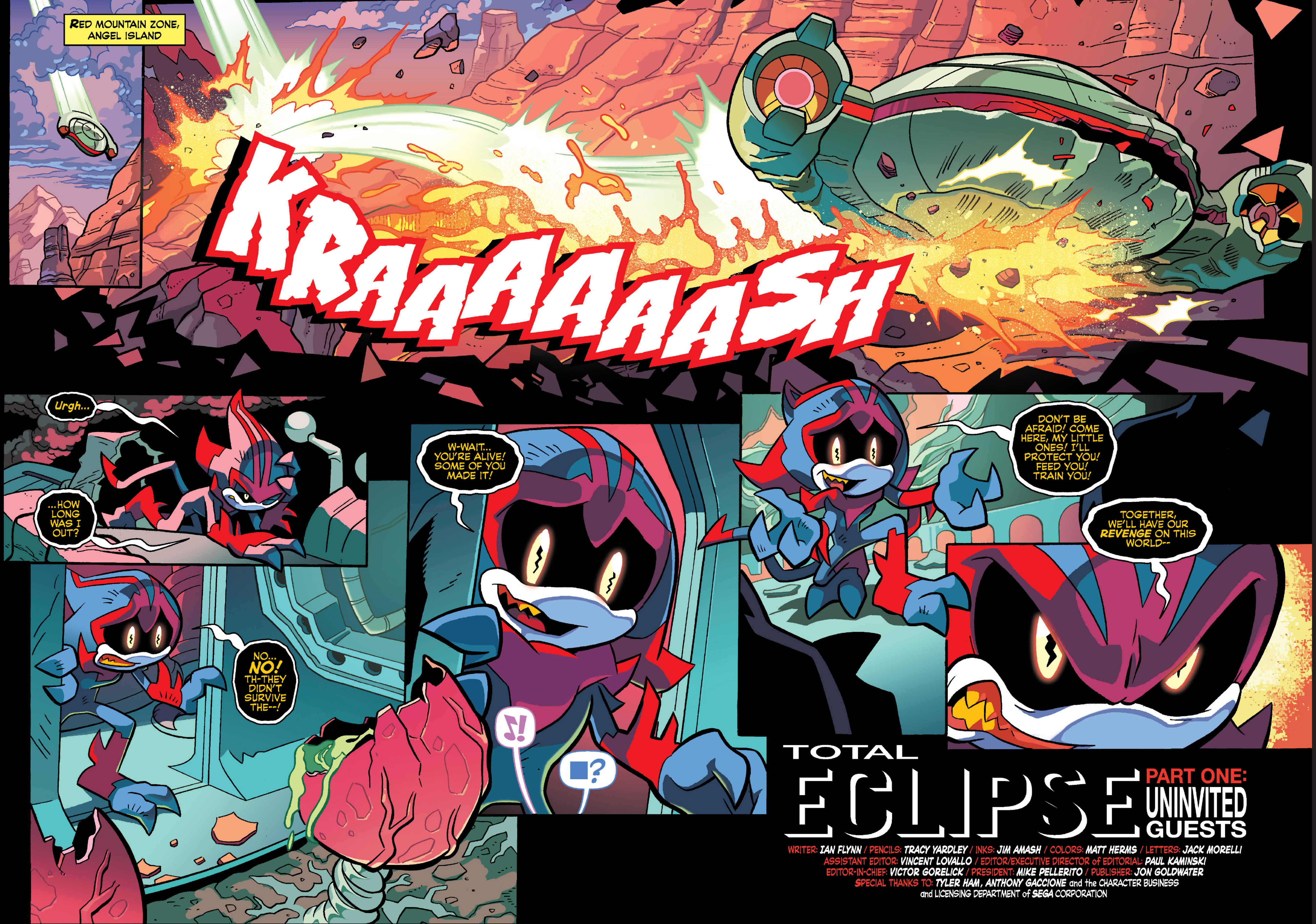

DAYS AGO...
SHADOW... YOU RUINED *EVERYTHING!*
ECLIPSE ALIEN, LIVING WEAPON
LANDING SITE
WARNING: POD FAILURE
DARK ARMS
...oh, PLEASE LET THOSE BE SOFT MOUNTAINS...


RED MOUNTAIN ZONE, ANGEL ISLAND
KRAAAAAAAASH
Urgh...
...HOW LONG WAS I OUT?
W-WAIT... YOU'RE ALIVE! SOME OF YOU MADE IT!
NO... NO! TH-THEY DIDN'T SURVIVE THE--!
♪!
■?
DON'T BE AFRAID! COME HERE, MY LITTLE ONES! I'LL PROTECT YOU! FEED YOU! TRAIN YOU!
TOGETHER, WE'LL HAVE OUR REVENGE ON THIS WORLD--

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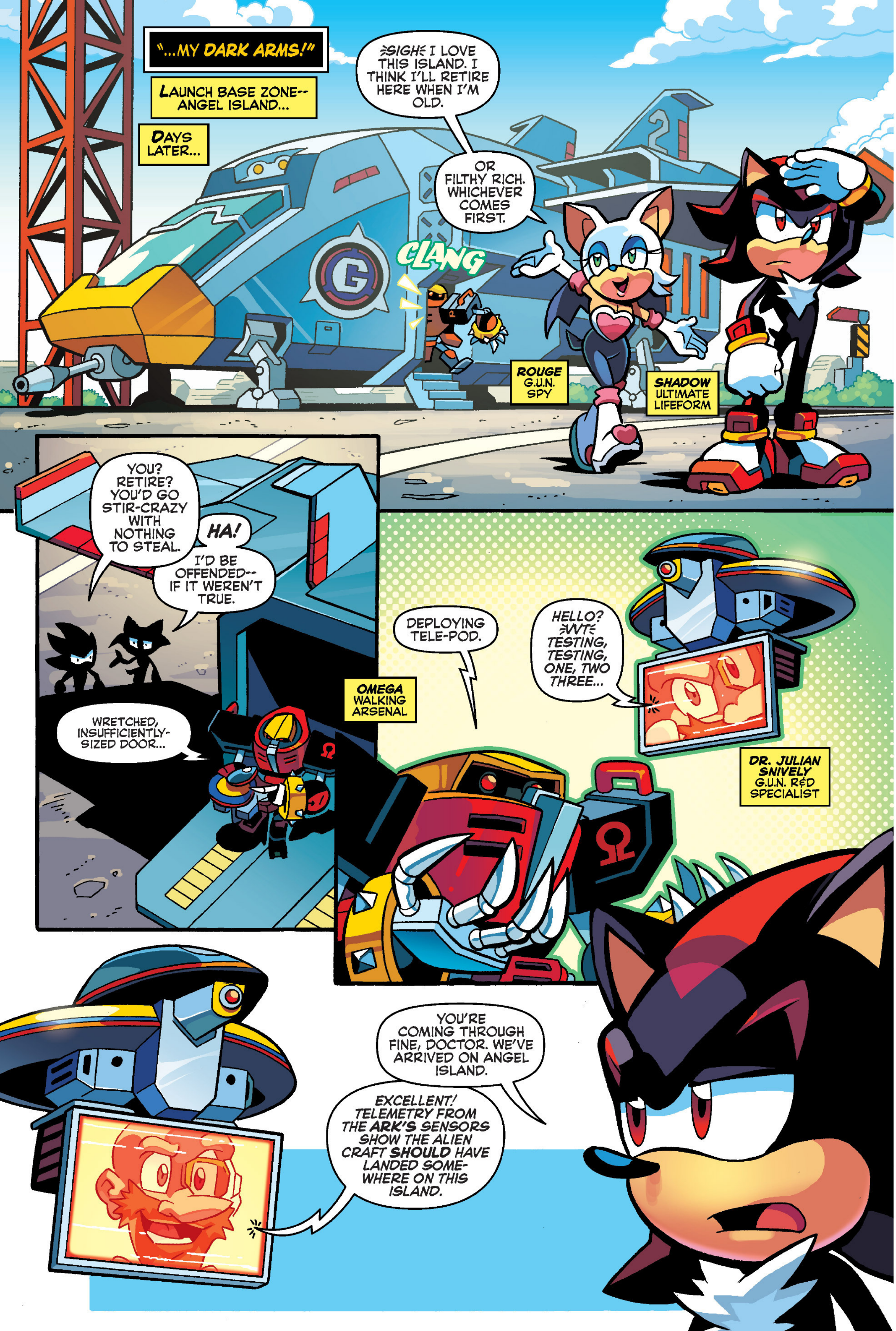
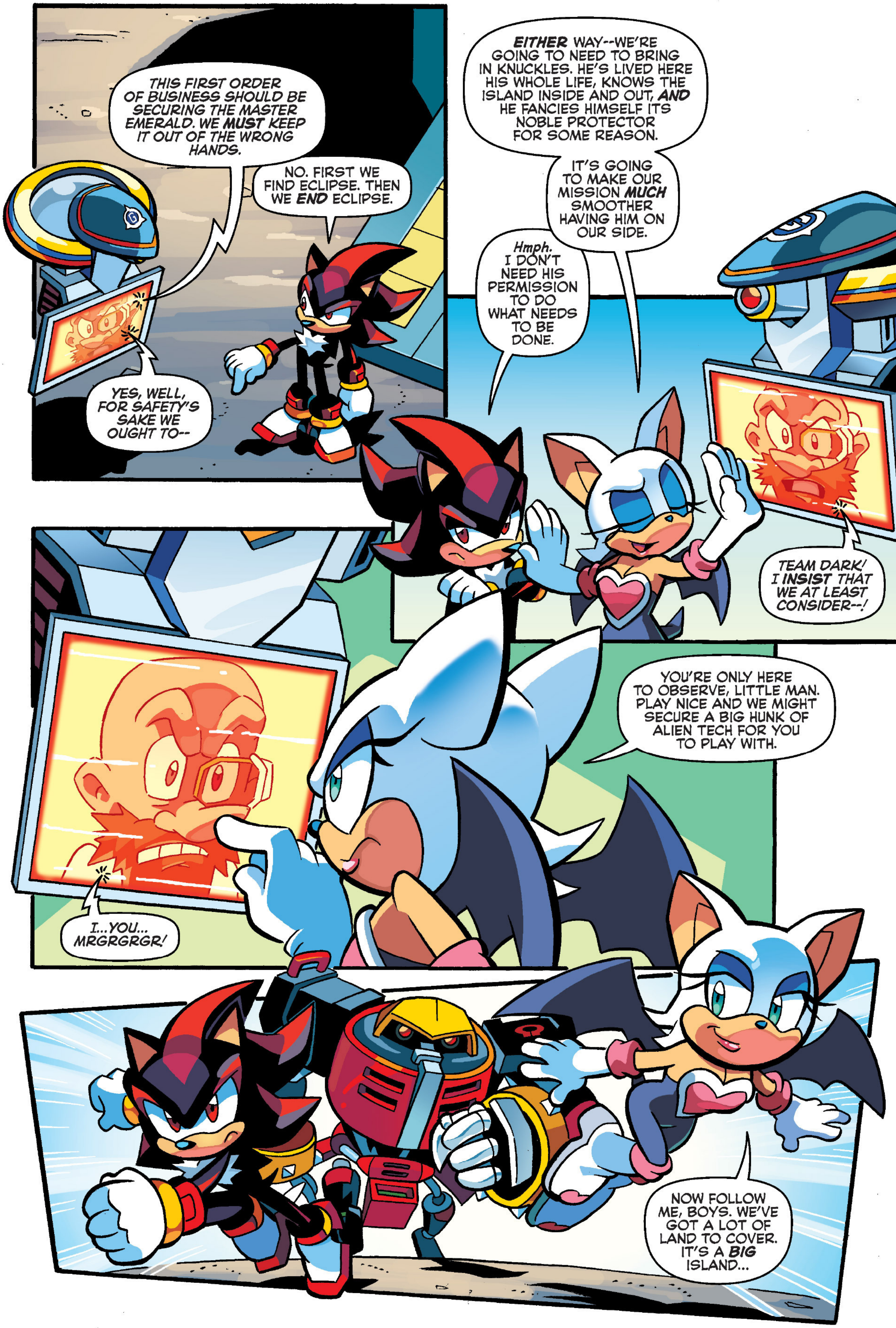
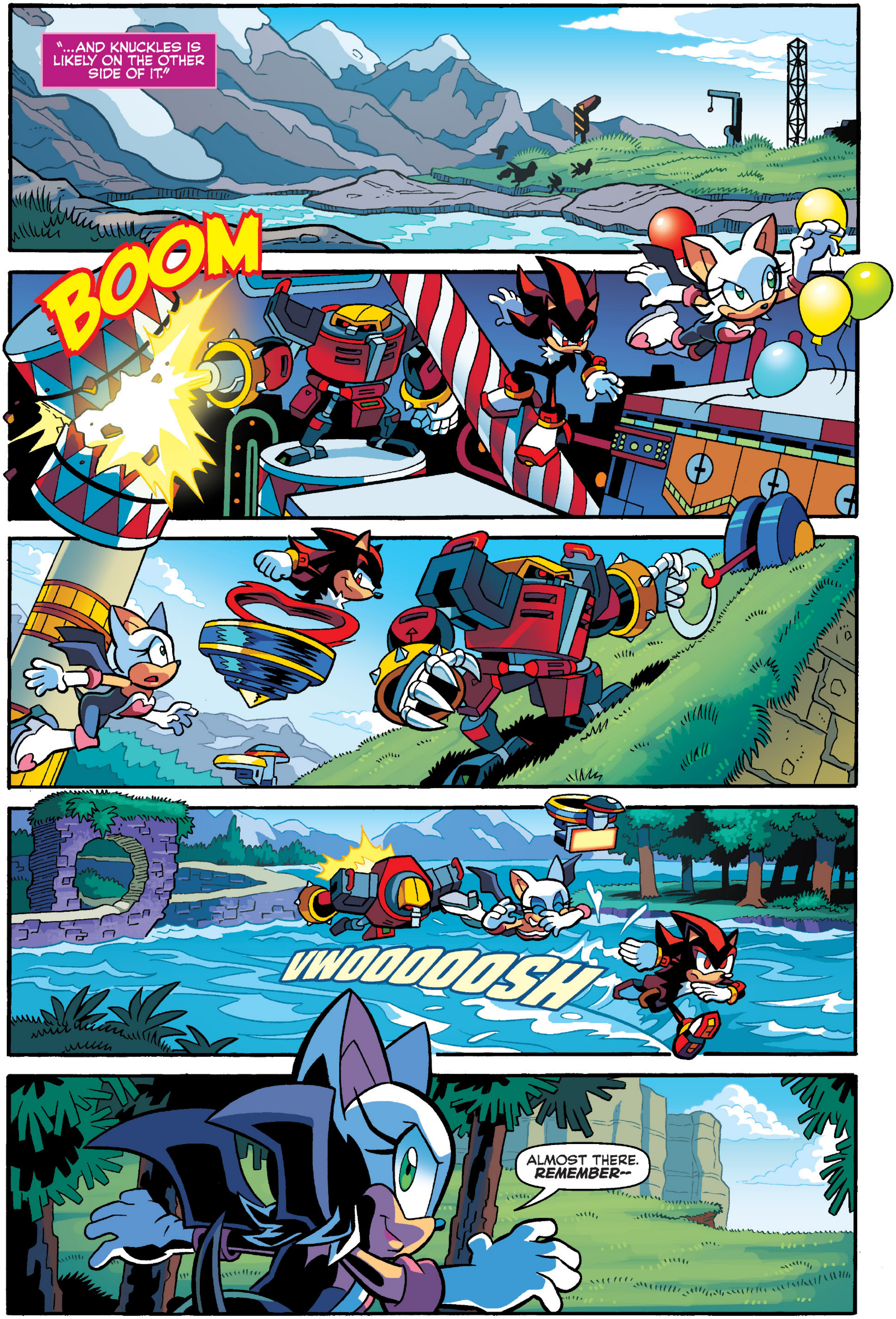
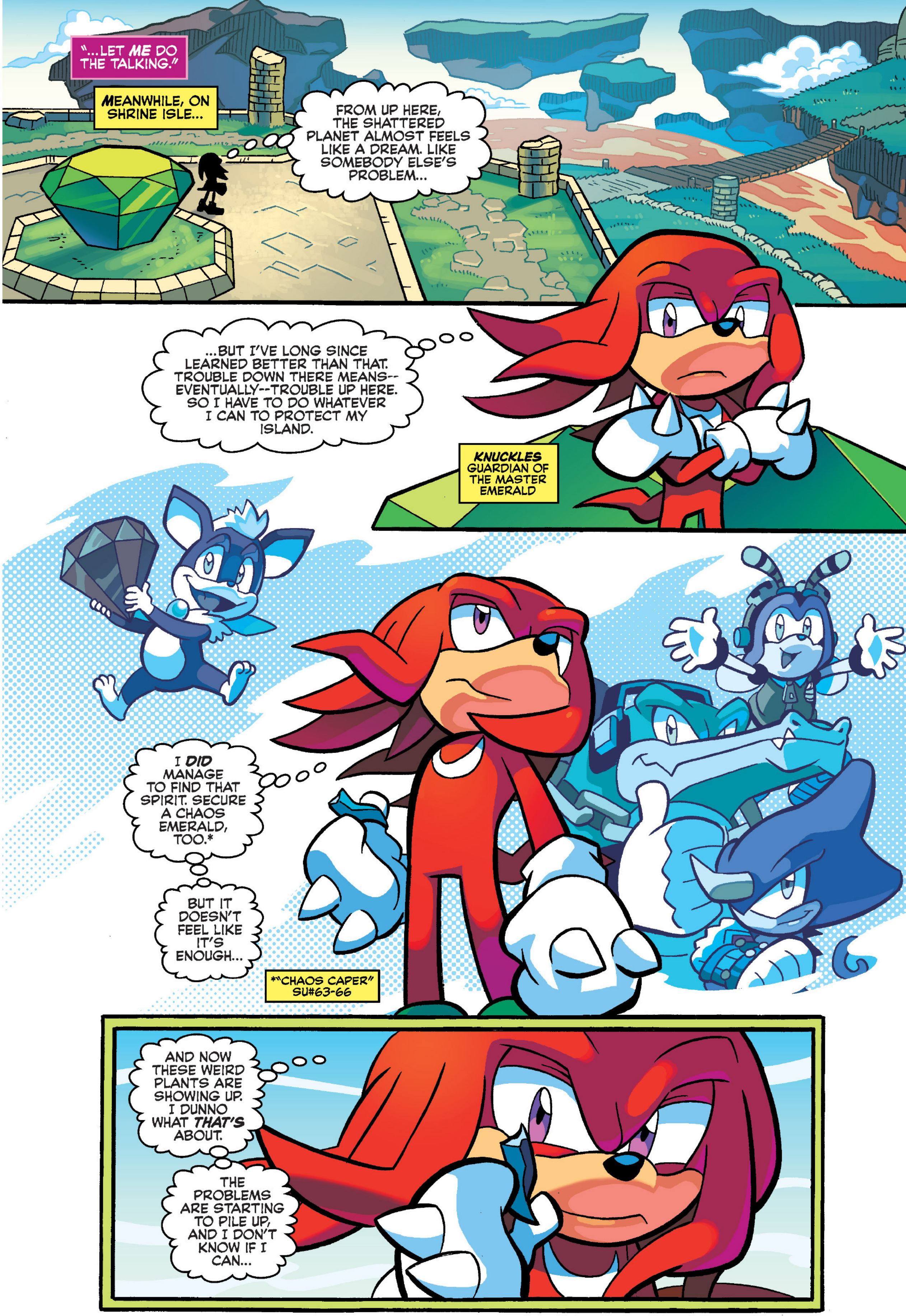
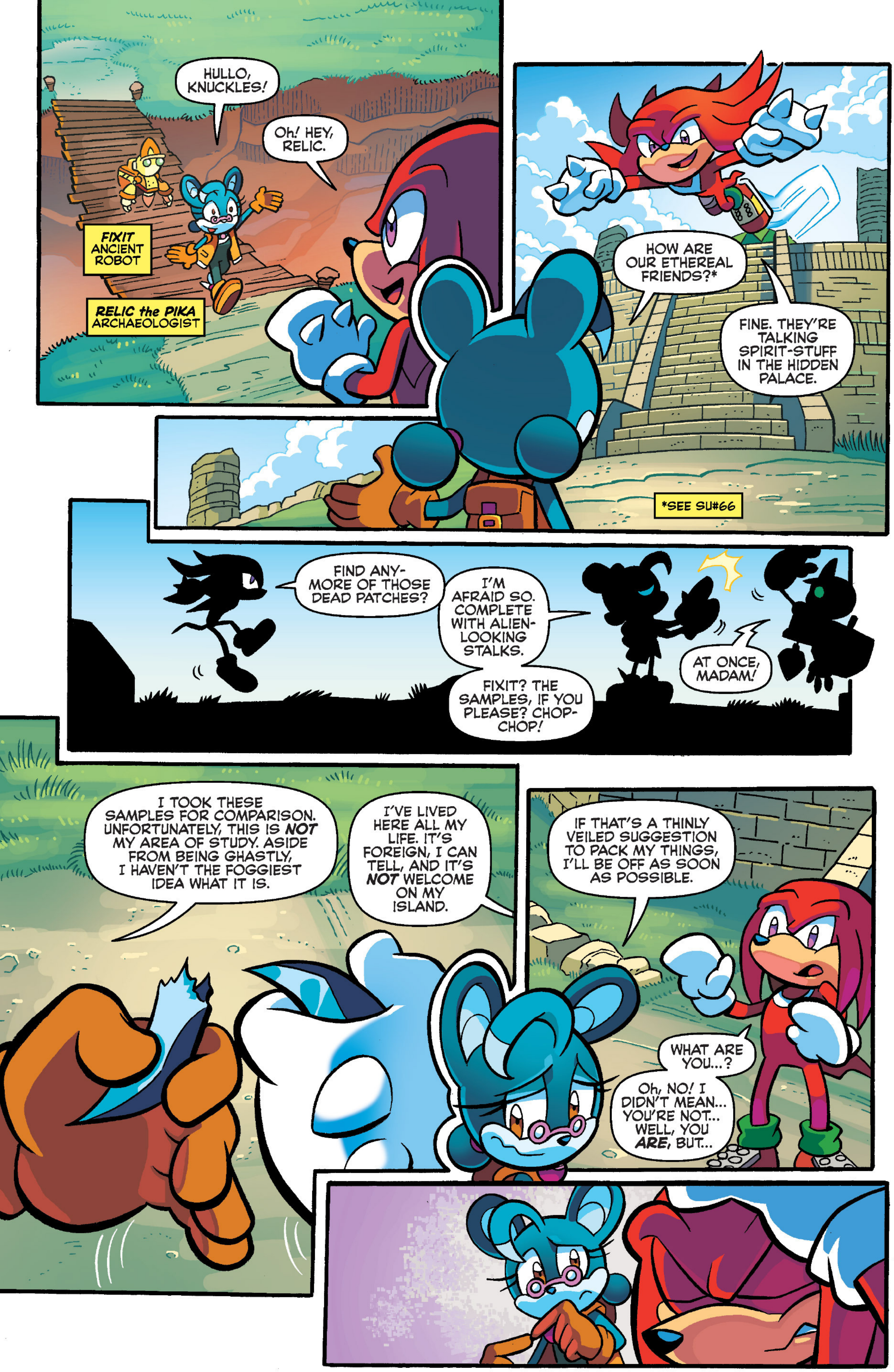
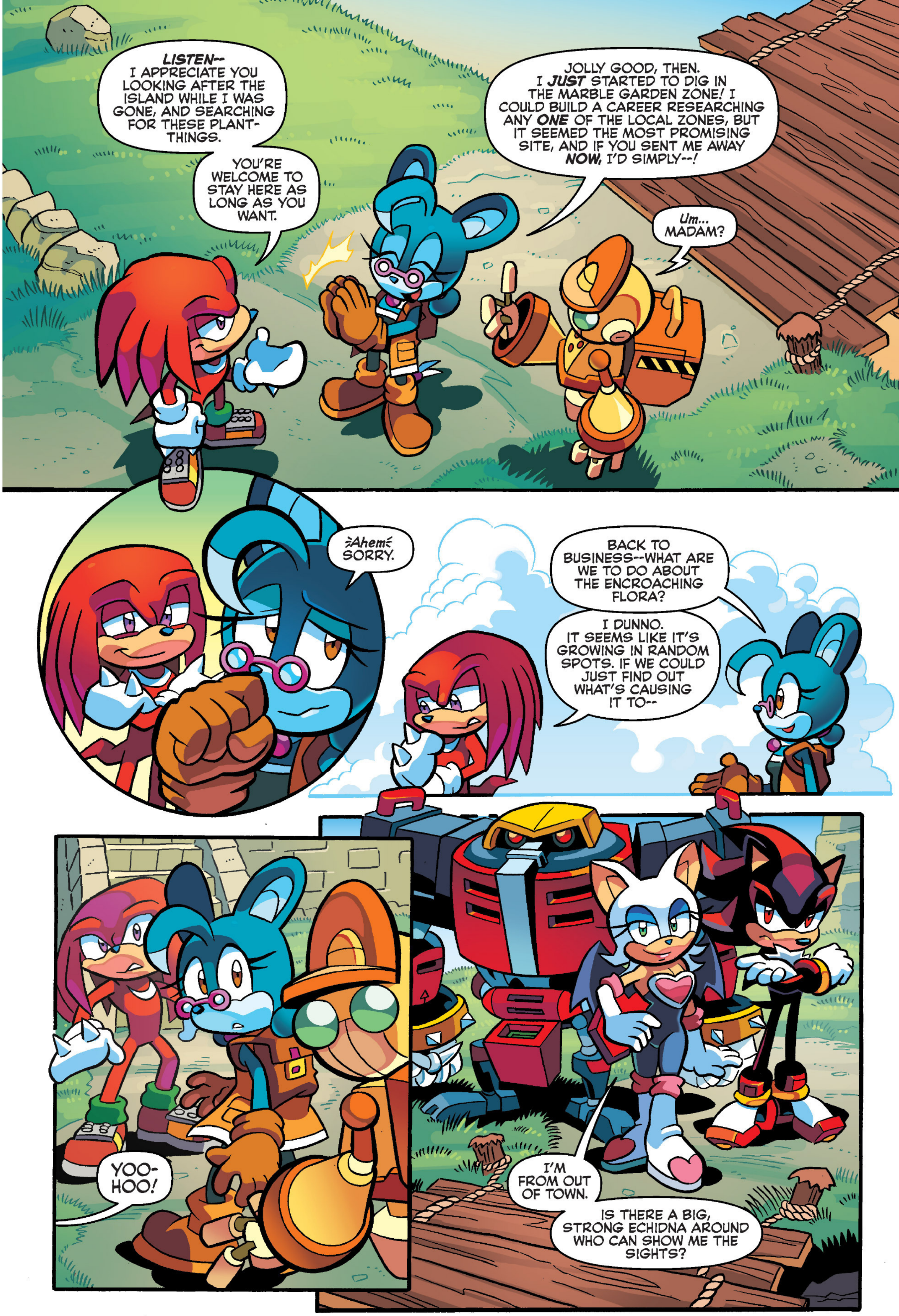

"...MY DARK ARMS!"
LAUNCH BASE ZONE-- ANGEL ISLAND...
DAYS LATER...
≈SIGH≈ I LOVE THIS ISLAND. I THINK I'LL RETIRE HERE WHEN I'M OLD.
OR FILTHY RICH. WHICHEVER COMES FIRST.
CLANG
ROUGE G.U.N. SPY
SHADOW ULTIMATE LIFEFORM
YOU? RETIRE? YOU'D GO STIR-CRAZY WITH NOTHING TO STEAL.
HA!
I'D BE OFFENDED-- IF IT WEREN'T TRUE.
WRETCHED, INSUFFICIENTLY-SIZED DOOR...
OMEGA WALKING ARSENAL
DEPLOYING TELE-POD.
HELLO? ≈WT≈ TESTING, TESTING, ONE, TWO THREE...
DR. JULIAN SNIVELY G.U.N. R&D SPECIALIST
YOU'RE COMING THROUGH FINE, DOCTOR. WE'VE ARRIVED ON ANGEL ISLAND.
EXCELLENT! TELEMETRY FROM THE ARK'S SENSORS SHOW THE ALIEN CRAFT SHOULD HAVE LANDED SOMEWHERE ON THIS ISLAND.

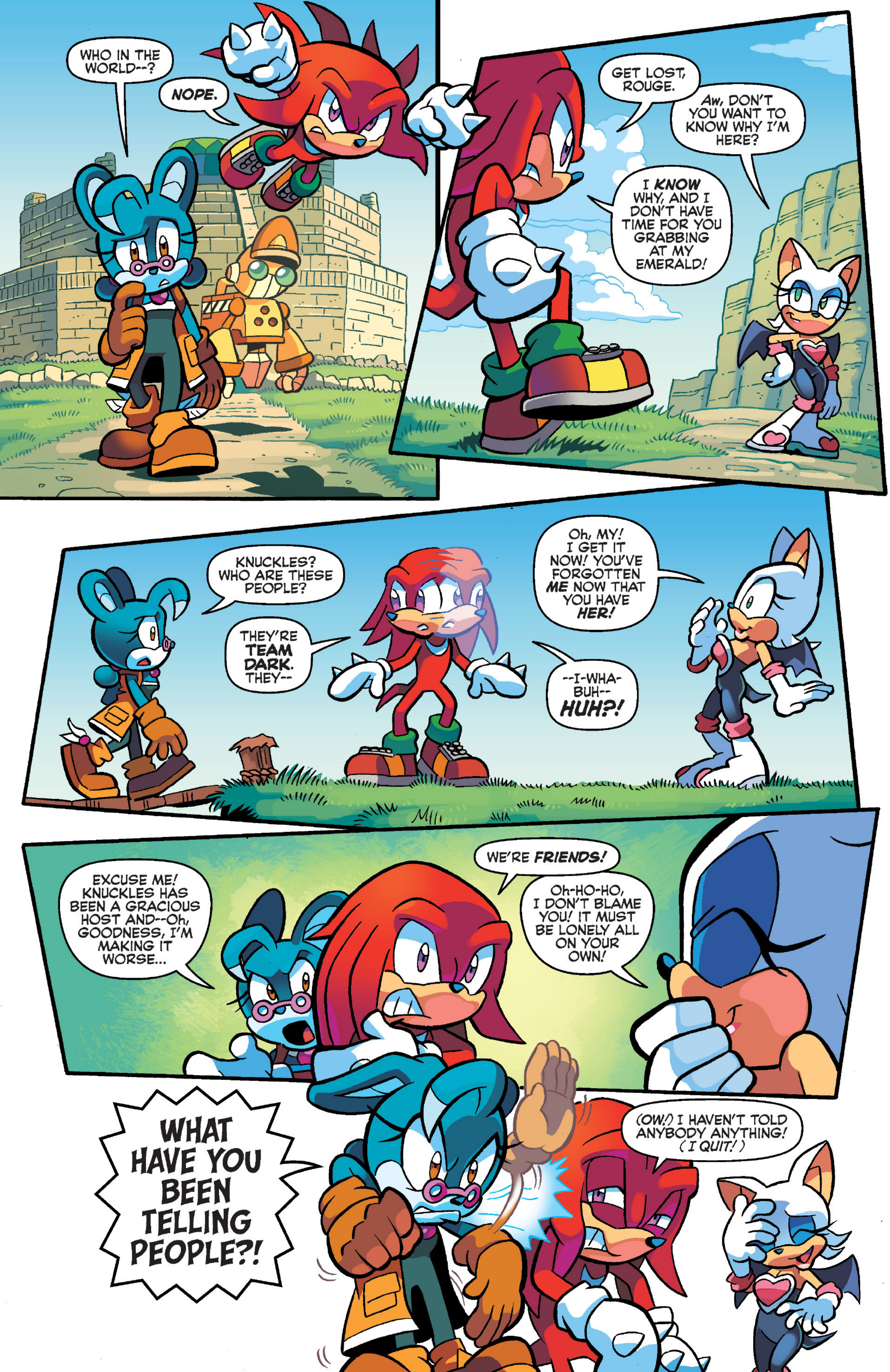

THIS FIRST ORDER OF BUSINESS SHOULD BE SECURING THE MASTER EMERALD. WE *MUST* KEEP IT OUT OF THE WRONG HANDS.
NO. FIRST WE FIND ECLIPSE. THEN WE *END* ECLIPSE.
YES, WELL, FOR SAFETY'S SAKE WE OUGHT TO--
EITHER WAY--WE'RE GOING TO NEED TO BRING IN KNUCKLES. HE'S LIVED HERE HIS WHOLE LIFE, KNOWS THE ISLAND INSIDE AND OUT, *AND* HE FANCIES HIMSELF ITS NOBLE PROTECTOR FOR SOME REASON.
IT'S GOING TO MAKE OUR MISSION *MUCH* SMOOTHER HAVING HIM ON OUR SIDE.
Hmph. I DON'T NEED HIS PERMISSION TO DO WHAT NEEDS TO BE DONE.
TEAM DARK! I *INSIST* THAT WE AT LEAST CONSIDER--!
YOU'RE ONLY HERE TO OBSERVE, LITTLE MAN. PLAY NICE AND WE MIGHT SECURE A BIG HUNK OF ALIEN TECH FOR YOU TO PLAY WITH.
I...YOU... MRGRGRGR!
NOW FOLLOW ME, BOYS. WE'VE GOT A LOT OF LAND TO COVER. IT'S A *BIG* ISLAND...

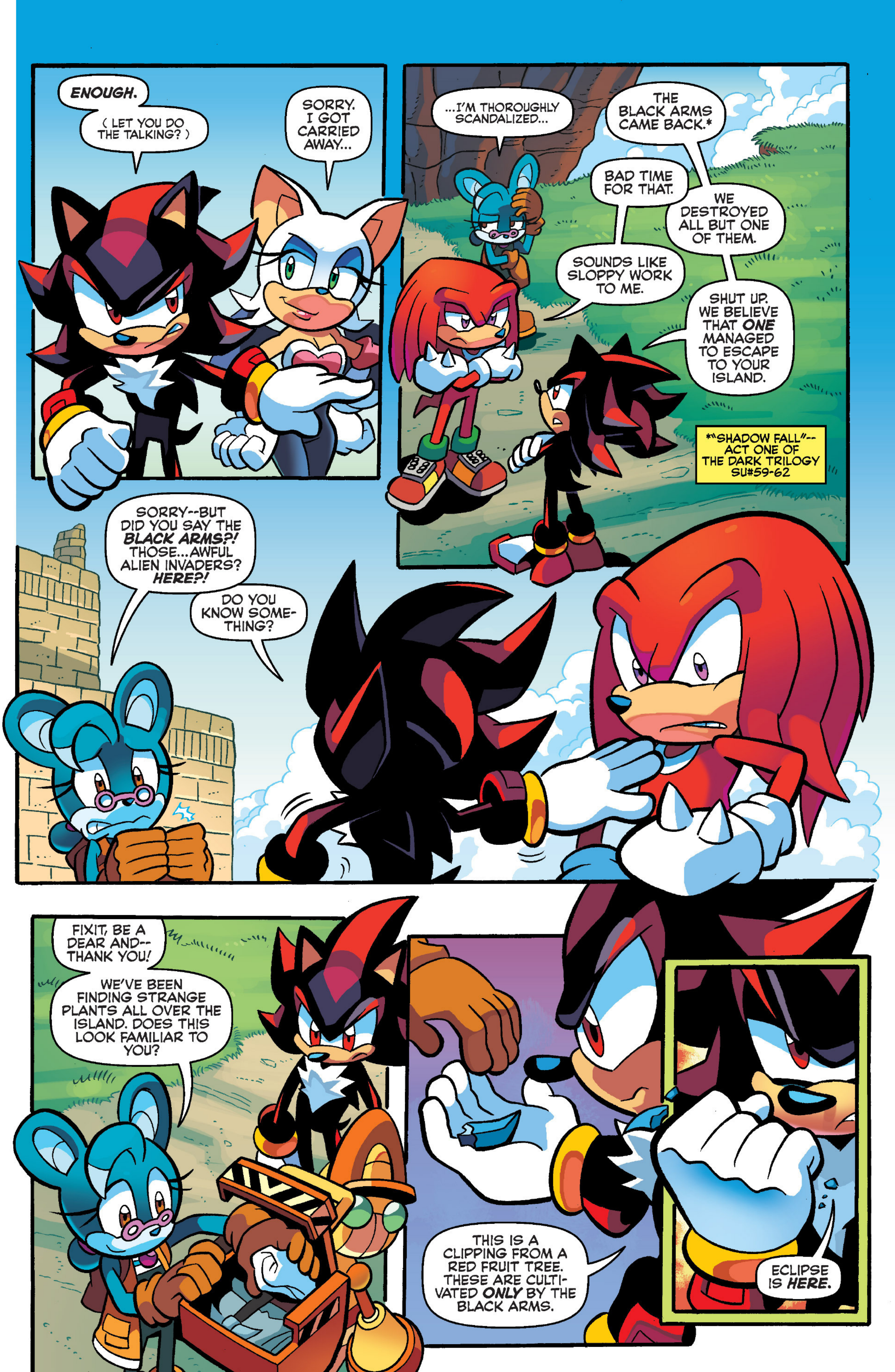

"...AND KNUCKLES IS LIKELY ON THE OTHER SIDE OF IT."
BOOM
VWOOOOOSH
ALMOST THERE. *REMEMBER--*

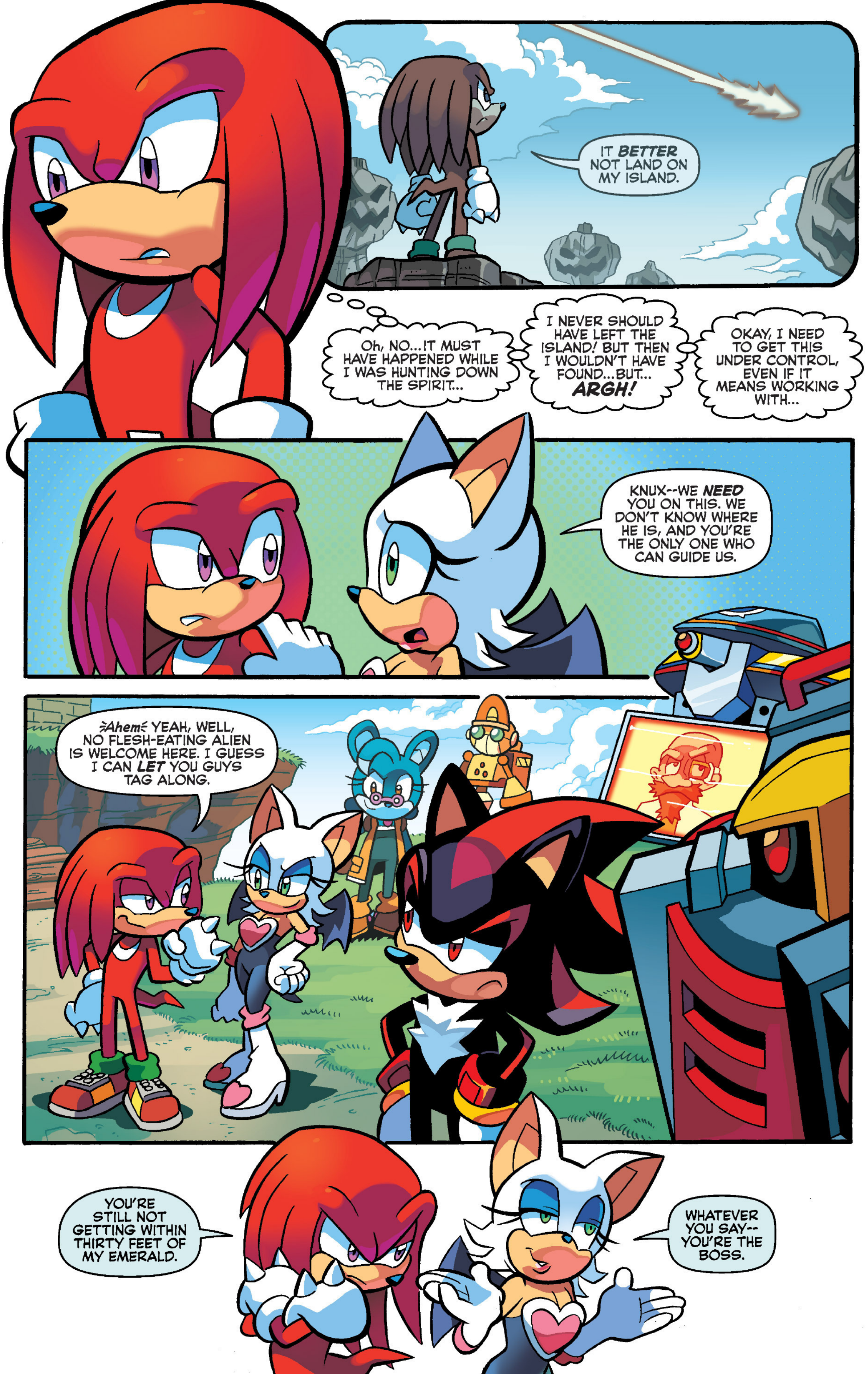

"...LET *ME* DO THE TALKING."
MEANWHILE, ON SHRINE ISLE...
FROM UP HERE, THE SHATTERED PLANET ALMOST FEELS LIKE A DREAM. LIKE SOMEBODY ELSE'S PROBLEM...
...BUT I'VE LONG SINCE LEARNED BETTER THAN THAT. TROUBLE DOWN THERE MEANS--EVENTUALLY--TROUBLE UP HERE. SO I HAVE TO DO WHATEVER I CAN TO PROTECT MY ISLAND.
KNUCKLES GUARDIAN OF THE MASTER EMERALD
I *DID* MANAGE TO FIND THAT SPIRIT. SECURE A CHAOS EMERALD, TOO.*
BUT IT DOESN'T FEEL LIKE IT'S ENOUGH...
*"CHAOS CAPER" SU#63-66
AND NOW THESE WEIRD PLANTS ARE SHOWING UP. I DUNNO WHAT *THAT'S* ABOUT.
THE PROBLEMS ARE STARTING TO PILE UP, AND I DON'T KNOW IF I CAN...

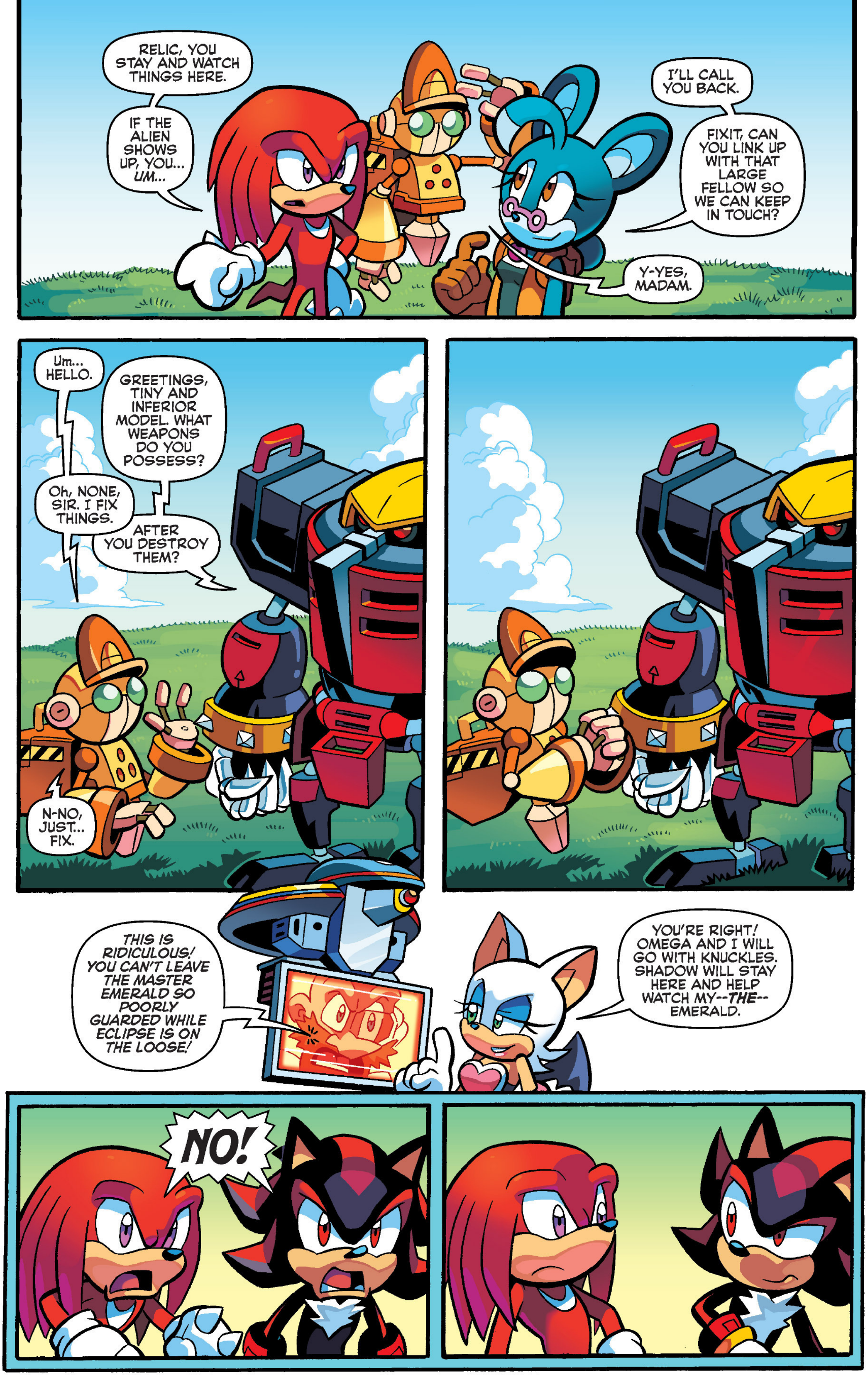

HULLO, KNUCKLES!
Oh! HEY, RELIC.
FIXIT ANCIENT ROBOT
RELIC the PIKA ARCHAEOLOGIST
HOW ARE OUR ETHEREAL FRIENDS?*
FINE. THEY'RE TALKING SPIRIT-STUFF IN THE HIDDEN PALACE.
*SEE SU#66
FIND ANYMORE OF THOSE DEAD PATCHES?
I'M AFRAID SO. COMPLETE WITH ALIEN-LOOKING STALKS.
FIXIT? THE SAMPLES, IF YOU PLEASE? CHOP-CHOP!
AT ONCE, MADAM!
I TOOK THESE SAMPLES FOR COMPARISON. UNFORTUNATELY, THIS IS ***NOT*** MY AREA OF STUDY. ASIDE FROM BEING GHASTLY, I HAVEN'T THE FOGGIEST IDEA WHAT IT IS.
I'VE LIVED HERE ALL MY LIFE. IT'S FOREIGN, I CAN TELL, AND IT'S ***NOT*** WELCOME ON MY ISLAND.
IF THAT'S A THINLY VEILED SUGGESTION TO PACK MY THINGS, I'LL BE OFF AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.
WHAT ARE YOU...?
Oh, NO! I DIDN'T MEAN... YOU'RE NOT... WELL, YOU ***ARE***, BUT...

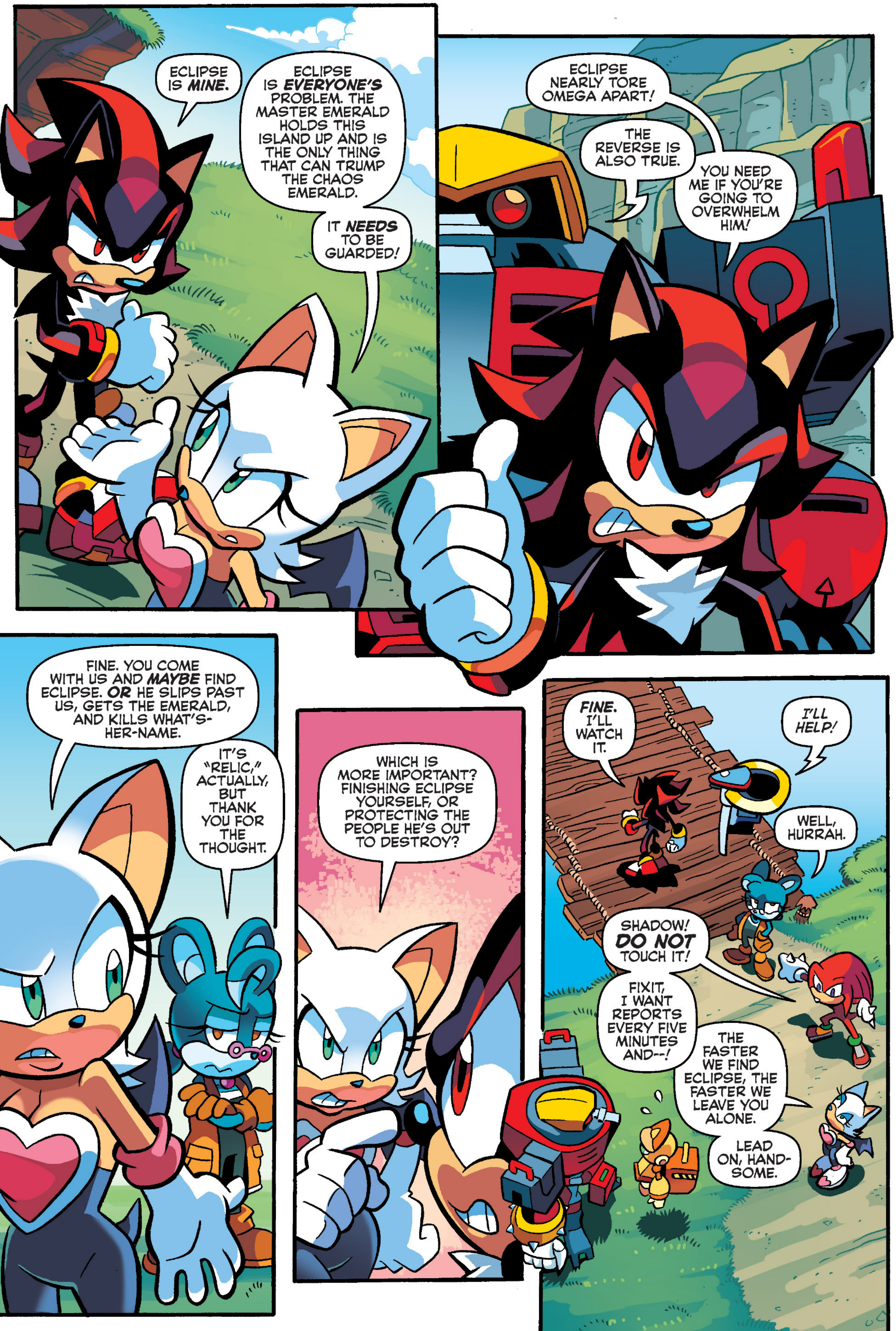

LISTEN-- I APPRECIATE YOU LOOKING AFTER THE ISLAND WHILE I WAS GONE, AND SEARCHING FOR THESE PLANT-THINGS.
YOU'RE WELCOME TO STAY HERE AS LONG AS YOU WANT.
JOLLY GOOD, THEN. I *JUST* STARTED TO DIG IN THE MARBLE GARDEN ZONE! I COULD BUILD A CAREER RESEARCHING ANY *ONE* OF THE LOCAL ZONES, BUT IT SEEMED THE MOST PROMISING SITE, AND IF YOU SENT ME AWAY *NOW*, I'D SIMPLY--!
Um... MADAM?
Ahem SORRY.
BACK TO BUSINESS--WHAT ARE WE TO DO ABOUT THE ENCROACHING FLORA?
I DUNNO. IT SEEMS LIKE IT'S GROWING IN RANDOM SPOTS. IF WE COULD JUST FIND OUT WHAT'S CAUSING IT TO--
YOO-HOO!
I'M FROM OUT OF TOWN.
IS THERE A BIG, STRONG ECHIDNA AROUND WHO CAN SHOW ME THE SIGHTS?

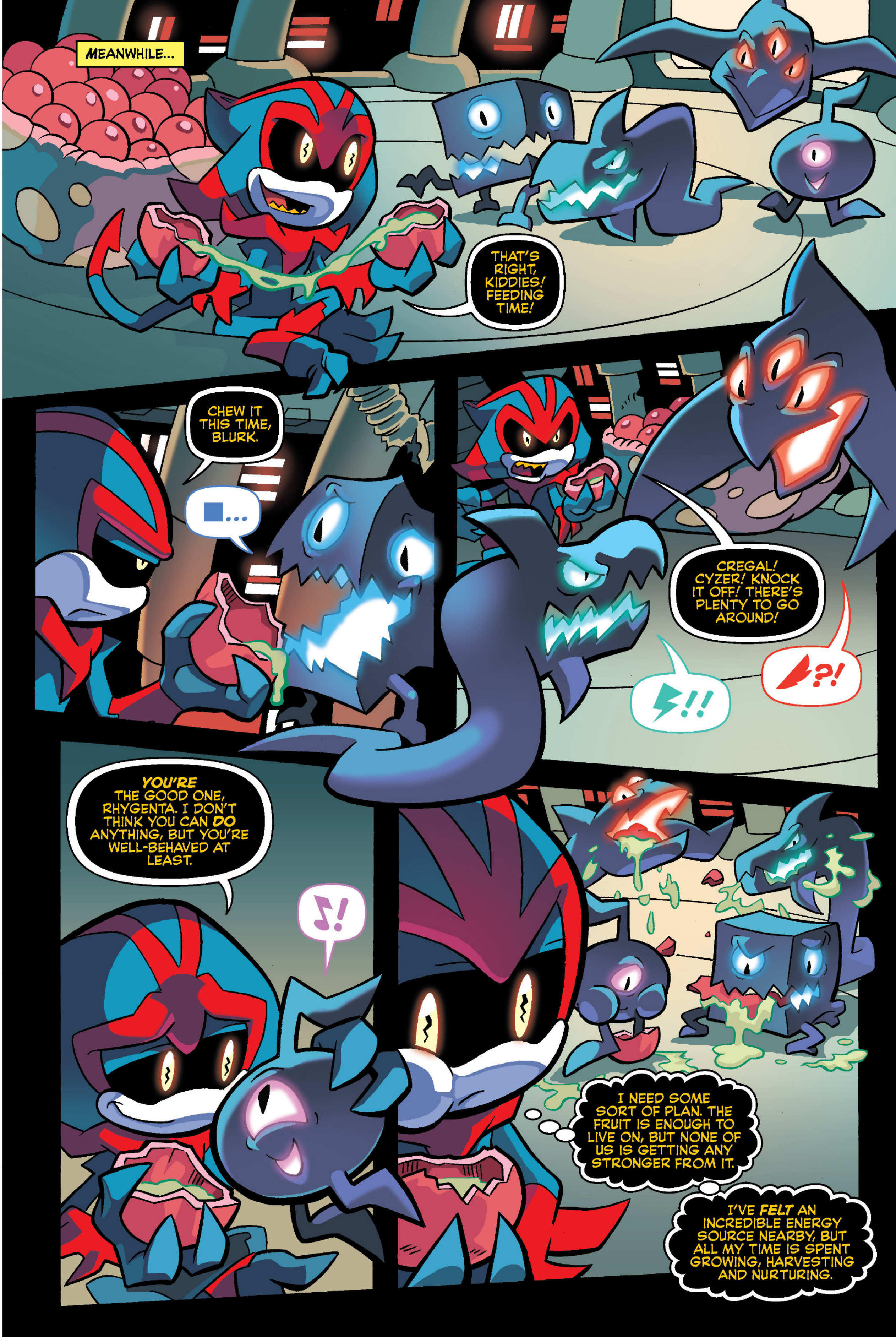

WHO IN THE WORLD--?
NOPE.
GET LOST, ROUGE.
Aw, DON'T YOU WANT TO KNOW WHY I'M HERE?
I *KNOW* WHY, AND I DON'T HAVE TIME FOR YOU GRABBING AT MY EMERALD!
KNUCKLES? WHO ARE THESE PEOPLE?
THEY'RE **TEAM DARK**. THEY--
Oh, MY! I GET IT NOW! YOU'VE FORGOTTEN *ME* NOW THAT YOU HAVE *HER!*
--I-WHA-BUH--*HUH?!*
EXCUSE ME! KNUCKLES HAS BEEN A GRACIOUS HOST AND--Oh, GOODNESS, I'M MAKING IT WORSE...
WE'RE *FRIENDS!*
Oh-HO-HO, I DON'T BLAME YOU! IT MUST BE LONELY ALL ON YOUR OWN!
WHAT HAVE YOU BEEN TELLING PEOPLE?!
(*OW!*) I HAVEN'T TOLD ANYBODY ANYTHING! (*I QUIT!*)

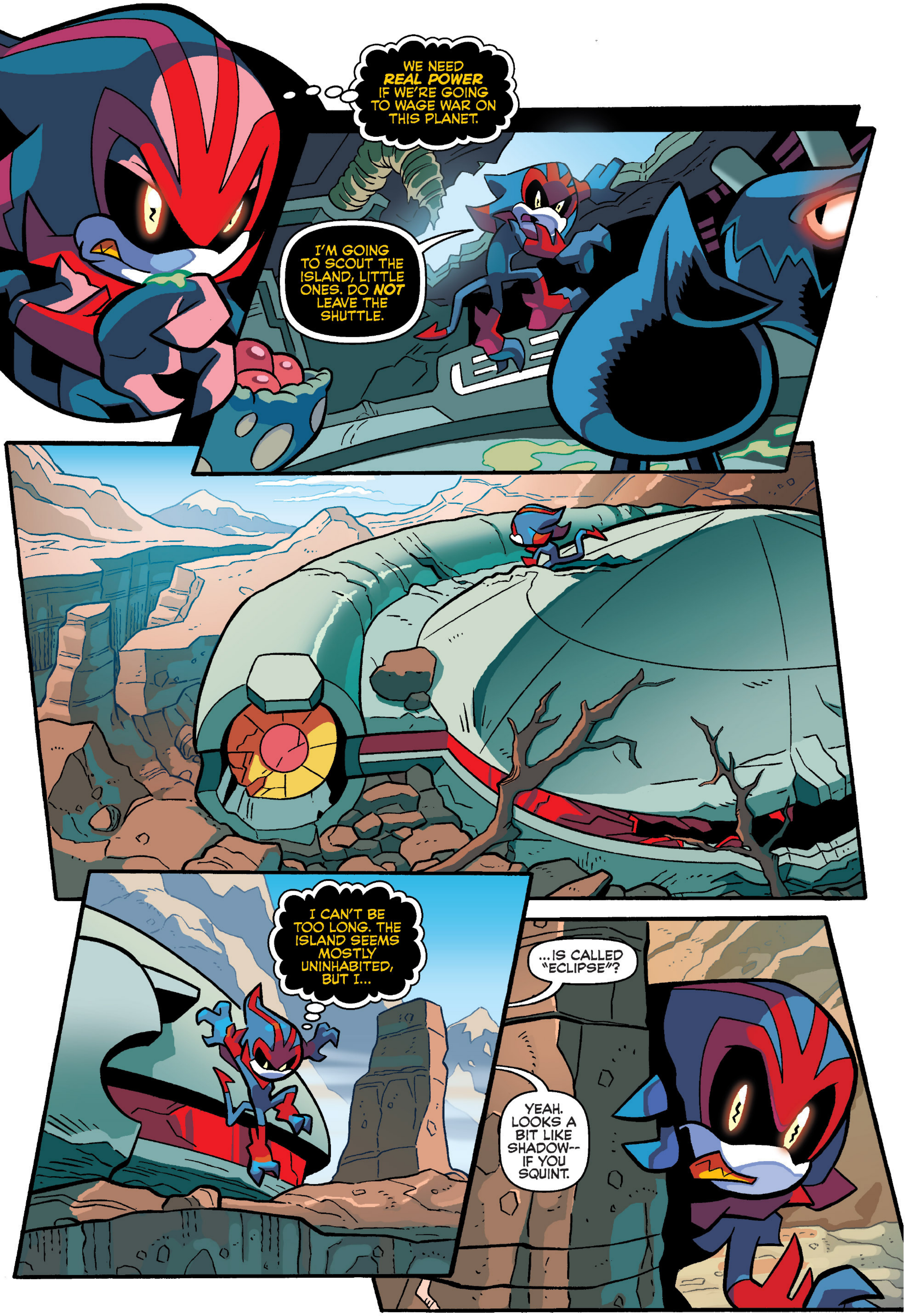

ENOUGH.
(LET YOU DO THE TALKING?)
SORRY. I GOT CARRIED AWAY...
...I'M THOROUGHLY SCANDALIZED...
THE BLACK ARMS CAME BACK.*
BAD TIME FOR THAT.
WE DESTROYED ALL BUT ONE OF THEM.
SOUNDS LIKE SLOPPY WORK TO ME.
SHUT UP. WE BELIEVE THAT ONE MANAGED TO ESCAPE TO YOUR ISLAND.
*"SHADOW FALL"--ACT ONE OF THE DARK TRILOGY SU#59-62
SORRY--BUT DID YOU SAY THE BLACK ARMS?! THOSE...AWFUL ALIEN INVADERS? HERE?!
DO YOU KNOW SOMETHING?
FIXIT, BE A DEAR AND--THANK YOU!
WE'VE BEEN FINDING STRANGE PLANTS ALL OVER THE ISLAND. DOES THIS LOOK FAMILIAR TO YOU?
THIS IS A CLIPPING FROM A RED FRUIT TREE. THESE ARE CULTIVATED ONLY BY THE BLACK ARMS.
ECLIPSE IS HERE.

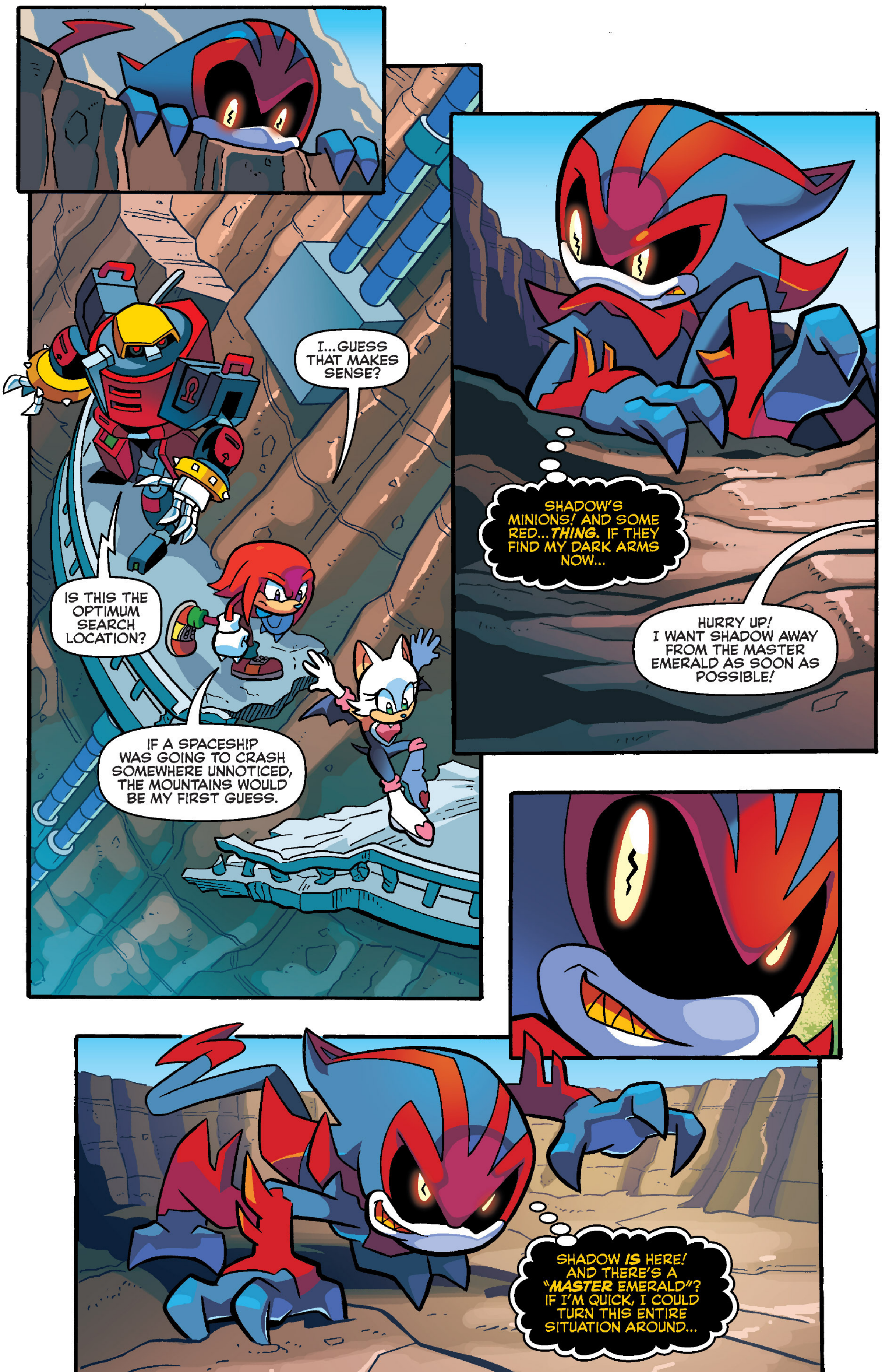

IT ***BETTER*** NOT LAND ON MY ISLAND.
Oh, NO...IT MUST HAVE HAPPENED WHILE I WAS HUNTING DOWN THE SPIRIT...
I NEVER SHOULD HAVE LEFT THE ISLAND! BUT THEN I WOULDN'T HAVE FOUND...BUT... ***ARGH!***
OKAY, I NEED TO GET THIS UNDER CONTROL, EVEN IF IT MEANS WORKING WITH...
KNUX--WE ***NEED*** YOU ON THIS. WE DON'T KNOW WHERE HE IS, AND YOU'RE THE ONLY ONE WHO CAN GUIDE US.
Ahem YEAH, WELL, NO FLESH-EATING ALIEN IS WELCOME HERE. I GUESS I CAN ***LET*** YOU GUYS TAG ALONG.
YOU'RE STILL NOT GETTING WITHIN THIRTY FEET OF MY EMERALD.
WHATEVER YOU SAY--YOU'RE THE BOSS.

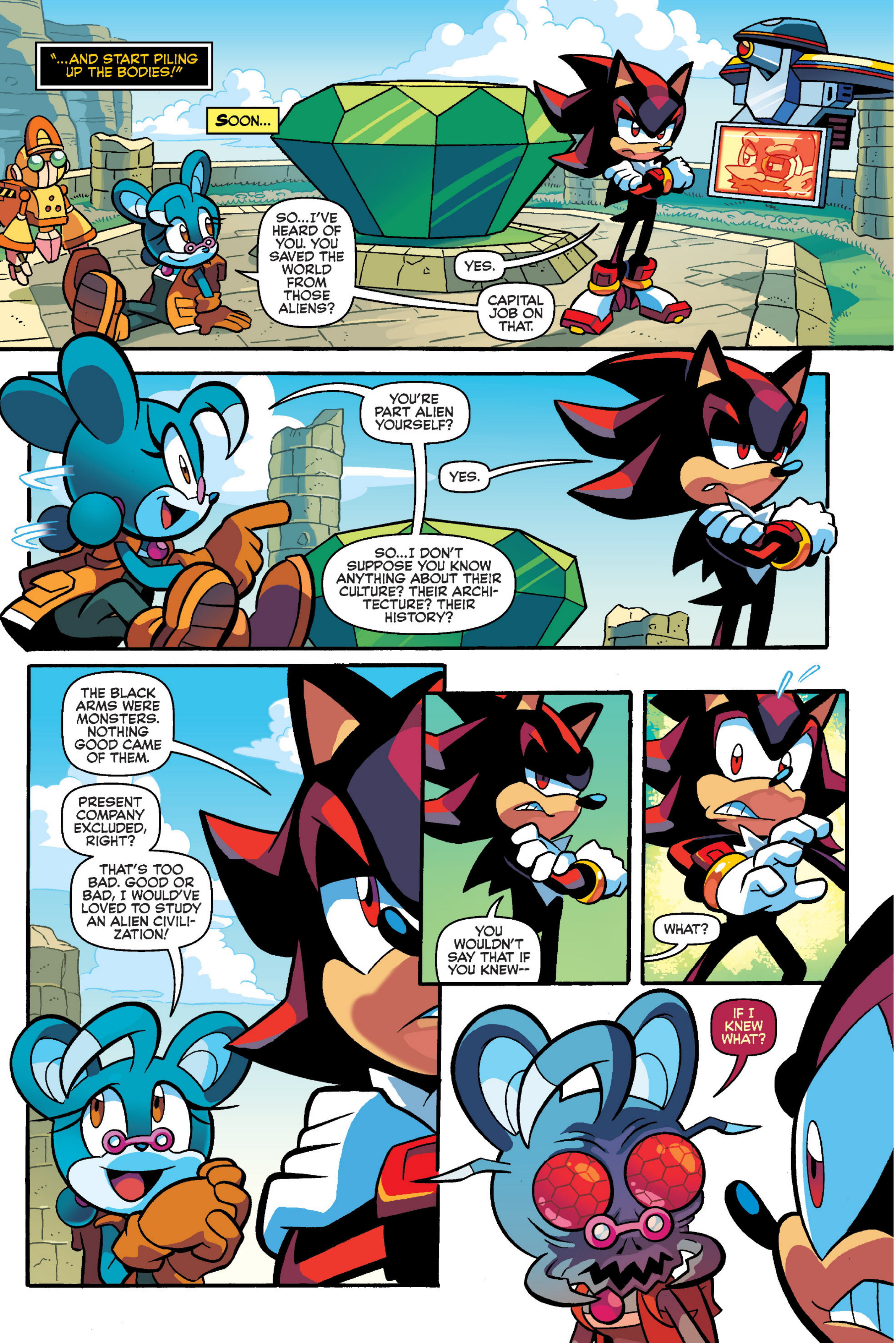

RELIC, YOU STAY AND WATCH THINGS HERE.
IF THE ALIEN SHOWS UP, YOU... *UM...*
I'LL CALL YOU BACK.
FIXIT, CAN YOU LINK UP WITH THAT LARGE FELLOW SO WE CAN KEEP IN TOUCH?
Y-YES, MADAM.
Um... HELLO.
GREETINGS, TINY AND INFERIOR MODEL. WHAT WEAPONS DO YOU POSSESS?
Oh, NONE, SIR. I FIX THINGS.
AFTER YOU DESTROY THEM?
N-NO, JUST... FIX.
THIS IS RIDICULOUS! YOU CAN'T LEAVE THE MASTER EMERALD SO POORLY GUARDED WHILE ECLIPSE IS ON THE LOOSE!
YOU'RE RIGHT! OMEGA AND I WILL GO WITH KNUCKLES. SHADOW WILL STAY HERE AND HELP WATCH MY--*THE*--EMERALD.
NO!

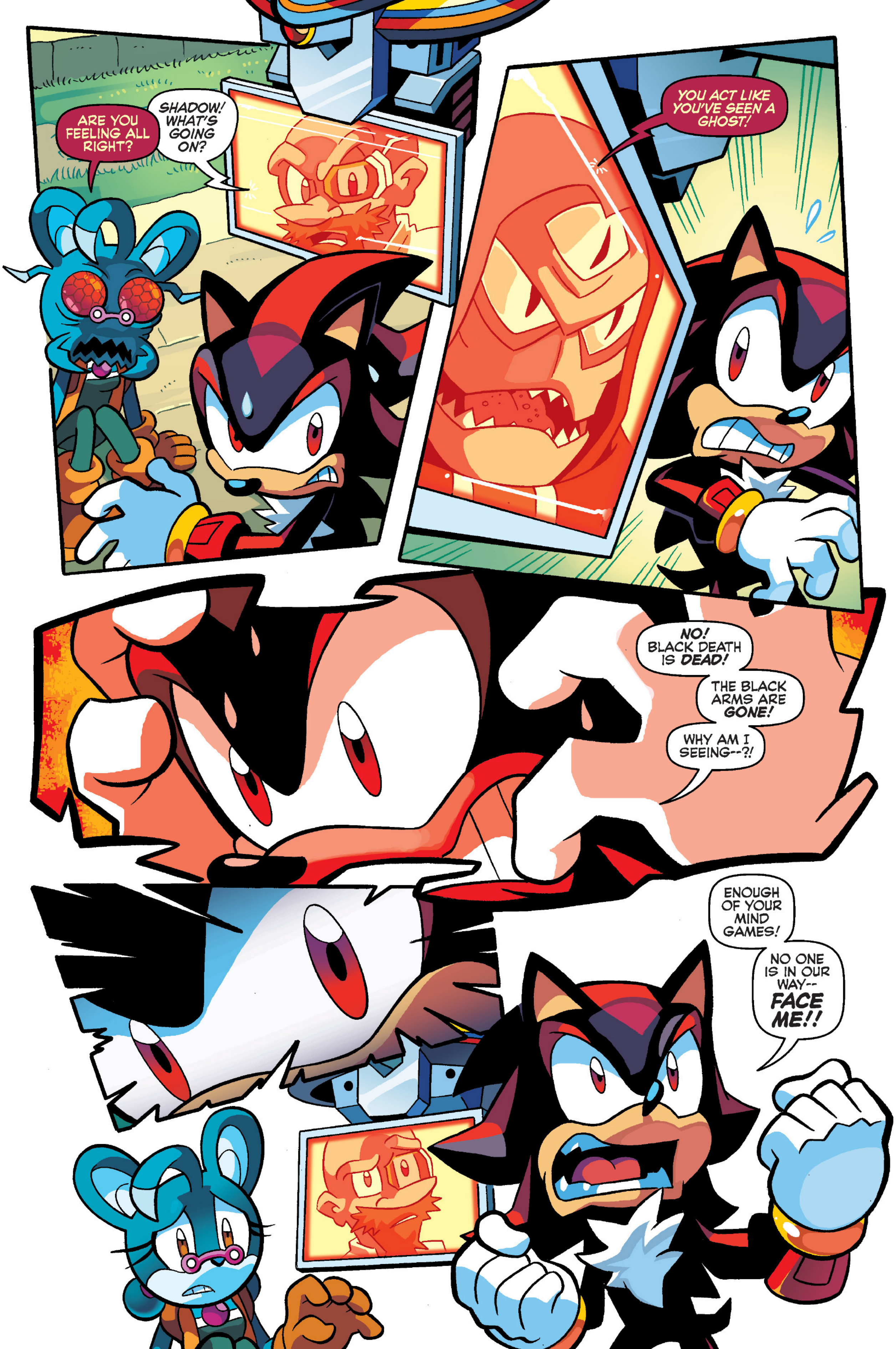

ECLIPSE IS *MINE.*
ECLIPSE IS ***EVERYONE'S*** PROBLEM. THE MASTER EMERALD HOLDS THIS ISLAND UP AND IS THE ONLY THING THAT CAN TRUMP THE CHAOS EMERALD.
IT ***NEEDS*** TO BE GUARDED!
ECLIPSE NEARLY TORE OMEGA APART!
THE REVERSE IS ALSO TRUE.
YOU NEED ME IF YOU'RE GOING TO OVERWHELM HIM!
FINE. YOU COME WITH US AND ***MAYBE*** FIND ECLIPSE. ***OR*** HE SLIPS PAST US, GETS THE EMERALD, AND KILLS WHAT'S-HER-NAME.
IT'S "RELIC," ACTUALLY, BUT THANK YOU FOR THE THOUGHT.
WHICH IS MORE IMPORTANT? FINISHING ECLIPSE YOURSELF, OR PROTECTING THE PEOPLE HE'S OUT TO DESTROY?
FINE. *I'LL WATCH IT.*
I'LL HELP!
WELL, HURRAH.
SHADOW! ***DO NOT*** TOUCH IT!
FIXIT, I WANT REPORTS EVERY FIVE MINUTES AND--!
THE FASTER WE FIND ECLIPSE, THE FASTER WE LEAVE YOU ALONE.
LEAD ON, HANDSOME.

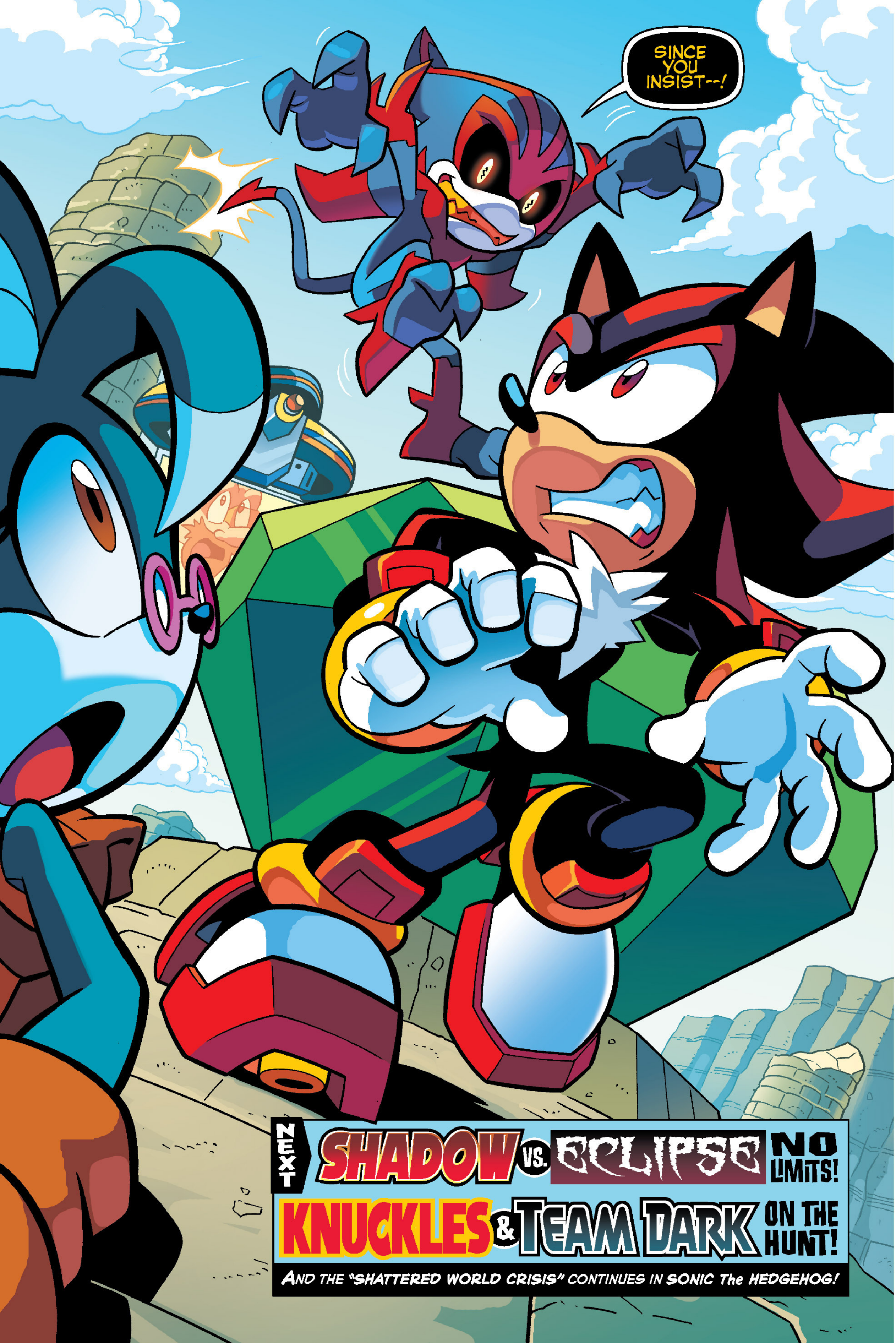

MEANWHILE...
THAT'S RIGHT, KIDDIES! FEEDING TIME!
CHEW IT THIS TIME, BLURK.
■...
CREGAL! CYZER! KNOCK IT OFF! THERE'S PLENTY TO GO AROUND!
ϟ!!
?!
YOU'RE THE GOOD ONE, RHYGENTA. I DON'T THINK YOU CAN *DO* ANYTHING, BUT YOU'RE WELL-BEHAVED AT LEAST.
♪!
I NEED SOME SORT OF PLAN. THE FRUIT IS ENOUGH TO LIVE ON, BUT NONE OF US IS GETTING ANY STRONGER FROM IT.
I'VE *FELT* AN INCREDIBLE ENERGY SOURCE NEARBY, BUT ALL MY TIME IS SPENT GROWING, HARVESTING AND NURTURING.


WE NEED **REAL POWER** IF WE'RE GOING TO WAGE WAR ON THIS PLANET.
I'M GOING TO SCOUT THE ISLAND, LITTLE ONES. DO **NOT** LEAVE THE SHUTTLE.
I CAN'T BE TOO LONG. THE ISLAND SEEMS MOSTLY UNINHABITED, BUT I...
...IS CALLED "ECLIPSE"?
YEAH. LOOKS A BIT LIKE SHADOW-- IF YOU SQUINT.


IS THIS THE OPTIMUM SEARCH LOCATION?
IF A SPACESHIP WAS GOING TO CRASH SOMEWHERE UNNOTICED, THE MOUNTAINS WOULD BE MY FIRST GUESS.
I...GUESS THAT MAKES SENSE?
SHADOW'S MINIONS! AND SOME RED...*THING.* IF THEY FIND MY DARK ARMS NOW...
HURRY UP! I WANT SHADOW AWAY FROM THE MASTER EMERALD AS SOON AS POSSIBLE!
SHADOW *IS* HERE! AND THERE'S A "*MASTER* EMERALD"? IF I'M QUICK, I COULD TURN THIS ENTIRE SITUATION AROUND...


"...AND START PILING UP THE BODIES!"
SOON...
SO...I'VE HEARD OF YOU. YOU SAVED THE WORLD FROM THOSE ALIENS?
YES.
CAPITAL JOB ON THAT.
YOU'RE PART ALIEN YOURSELF?
YES.
SO...I DON'T SUPPOSE YOU KNOW ANYTHING ABOUT THEIR CULTURE? THEIR ARCHITECTURE? THEIR HISTORY?
THE BLACK ARMS WERE MONSTERS. NOTHING GOOD CAME OF THEM.
PRESENT COMPANY EXCLUDED, RIGHT?
THAT'S TOO BAD. GOOD OR BAD, I WOULD'VE LOVED TO STUDY AN ALIEN CIVILIZATION!
YOU WOULDN'T SAY THAT IF YOU KNEW--
WHAT?
IF I KNEW WHAT?


ARE YOU FEELING ALL RIGHT?
SHADOW! WHAT'S GOING ON?
YOU ACT LIKE YOU'VE SEEN A GHOST!
NO! BLACK DEATH IS DEAD!
THE BLACK ARMS ARE GONE!
WHY AM I SEEING--?!
ENOUGH OF YOUR MIND GAMES!
NO ONE IS IN OUR WAY-- FACE ME!!

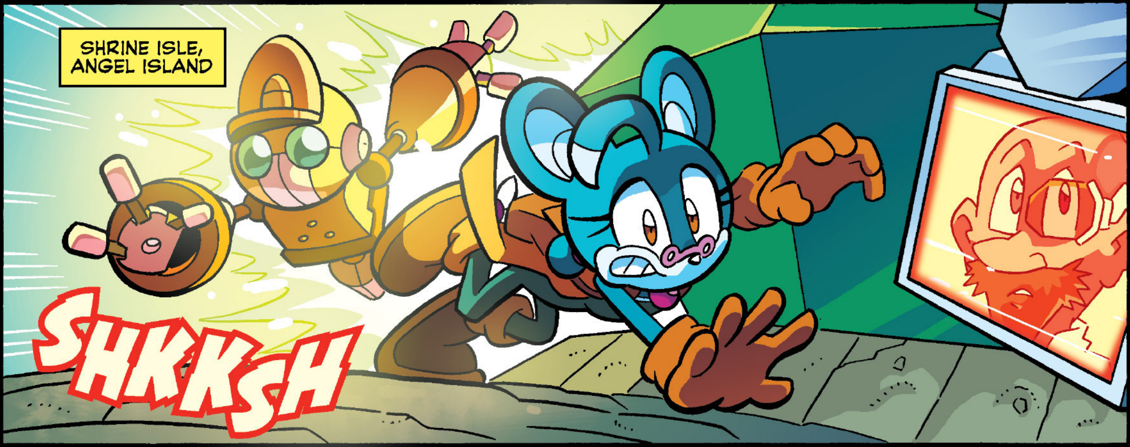

SINCE YOU INSIST--!

NEXT

SHADOW VS. ECLIPSE NO LIMITS!

KNUCKLES & TEAM DARK ON THE HUNT!

AND THE "SHATTERED WORLD CRISIS" CONTINUES IN SONIC The HEDGEHOG!


SHRINE ISLE, ANGEL ISLAND
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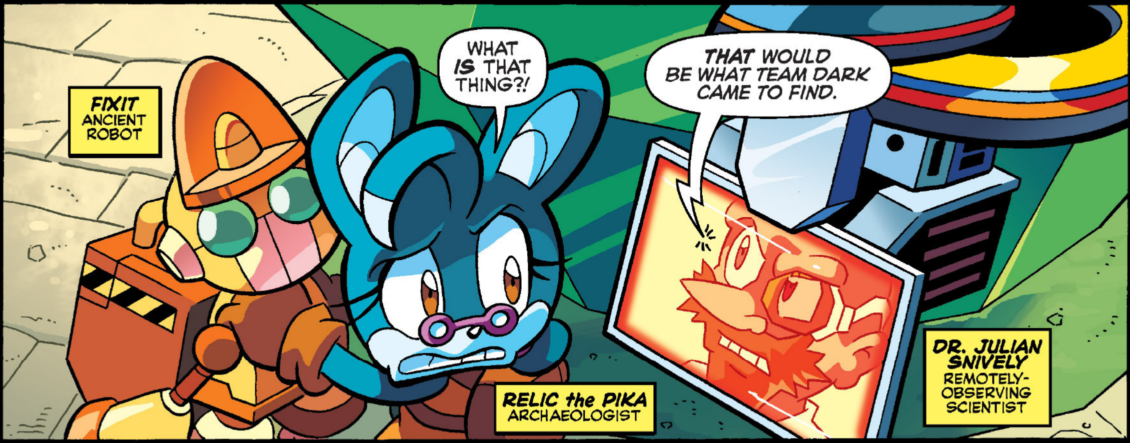
TOTAL ECLIPSE PART TWO: TIPPING POINT


FIXIT ANCIENT ROBOT
WHAT *IS* THAT THING?!
THAT WOULD BE WHAT TEAM DARK CAME TO FIND.
RELIC the PIKA ARCHAEOLOGIST
DR. JULIAN SNIVELY REMOTELY-OBSERVING SCIENTIST

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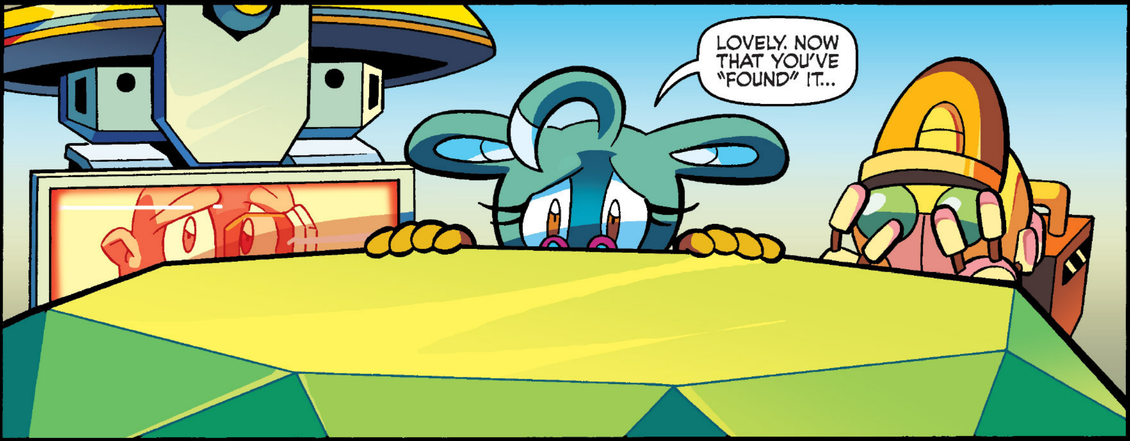
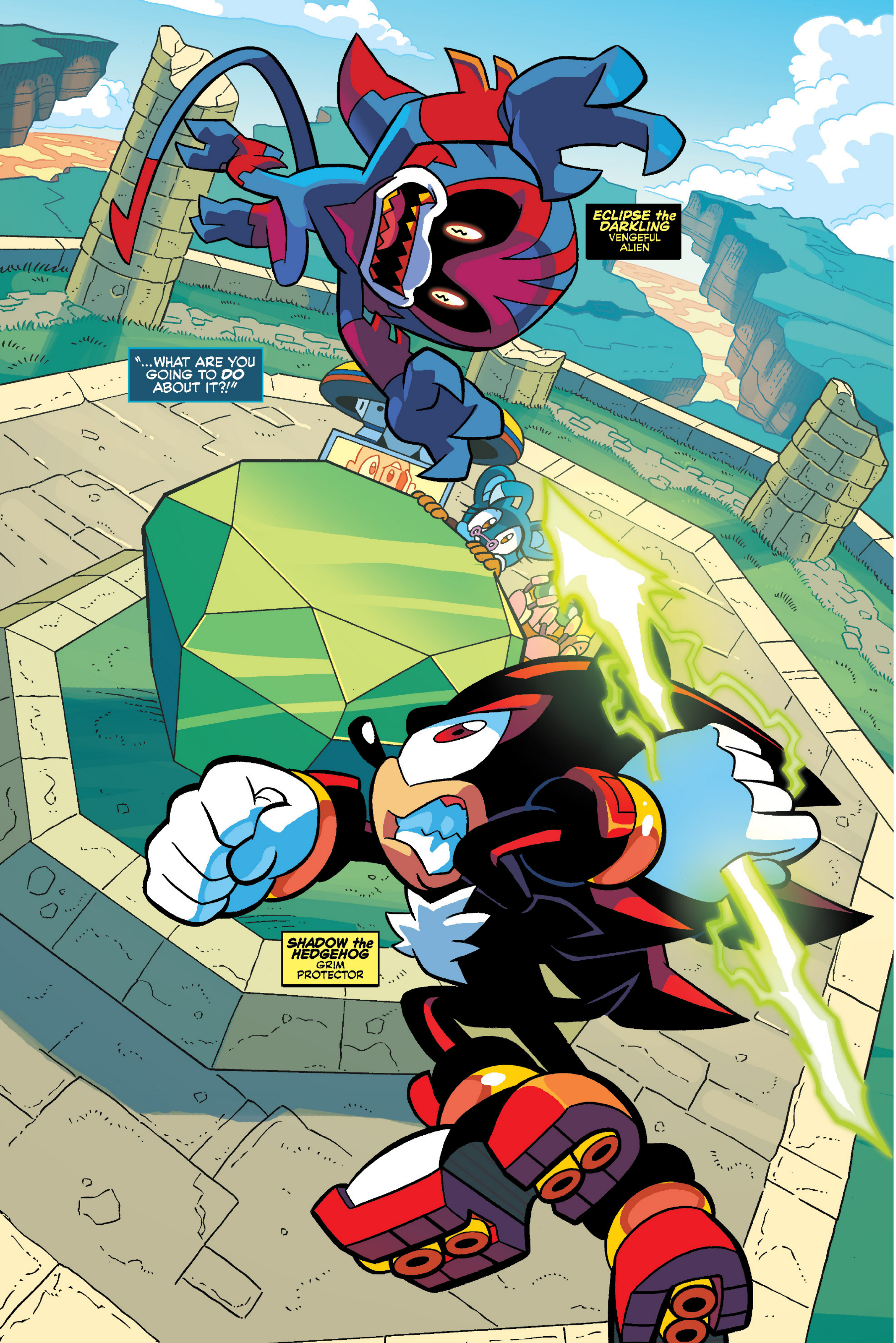
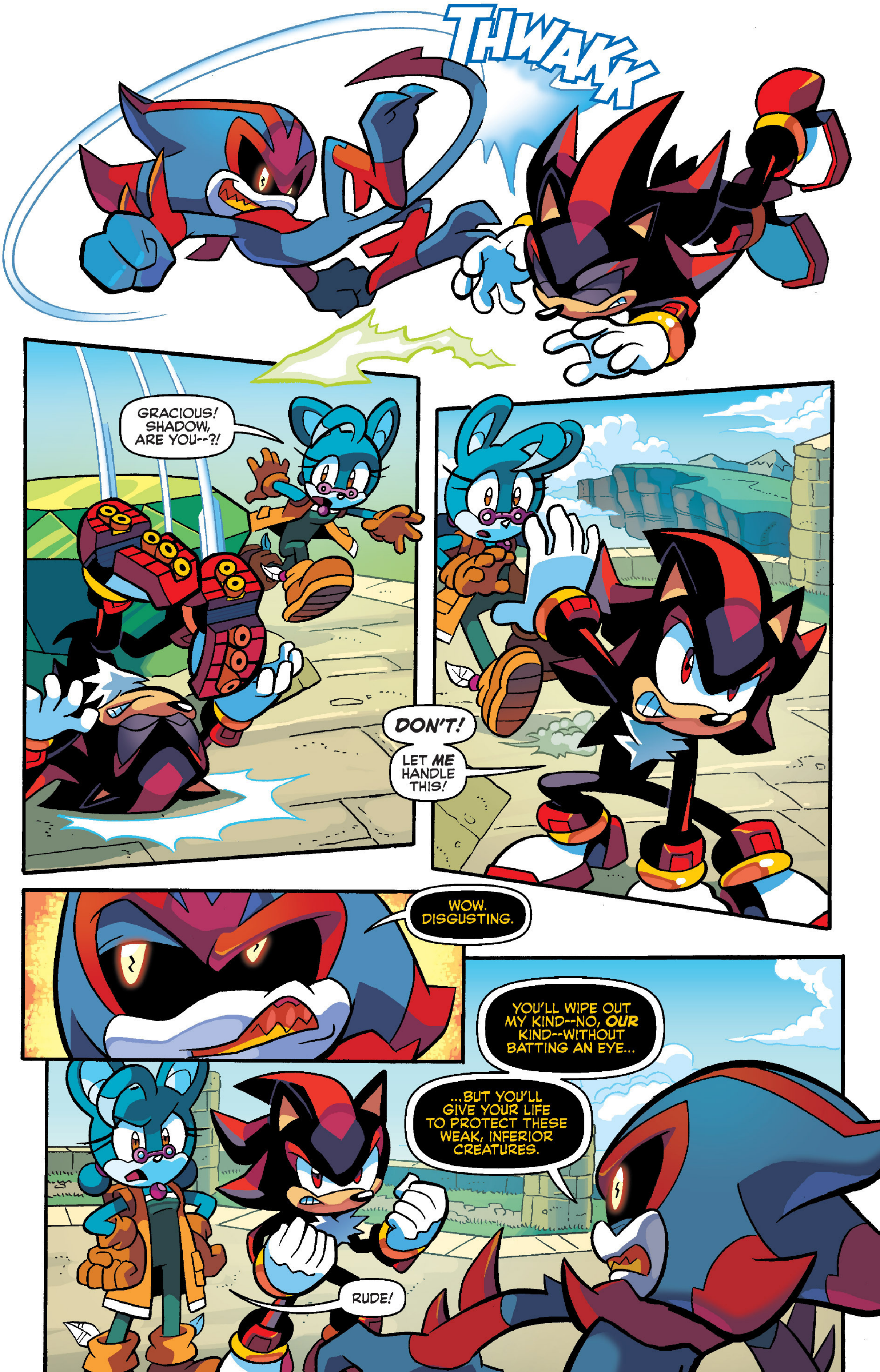
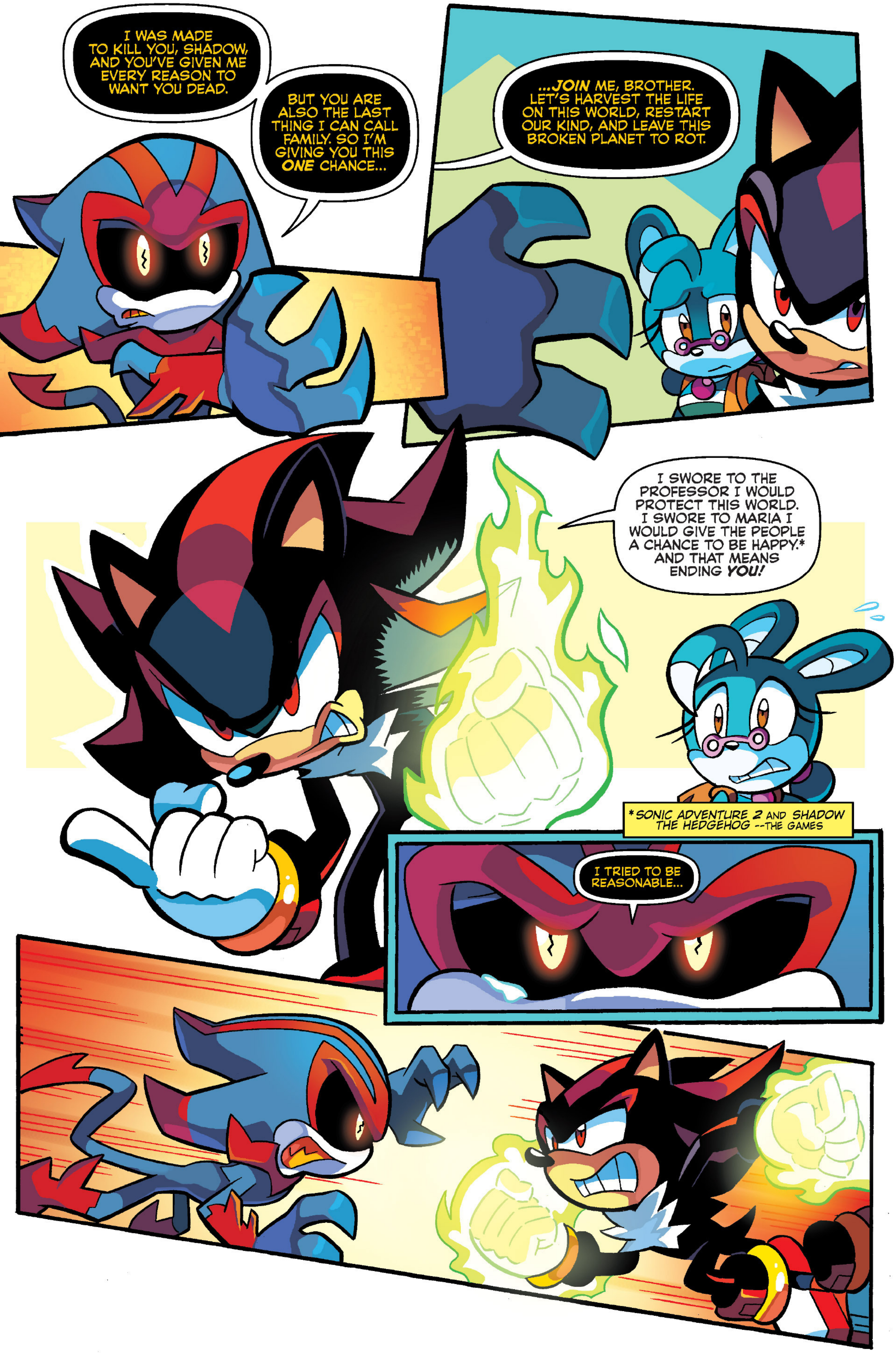
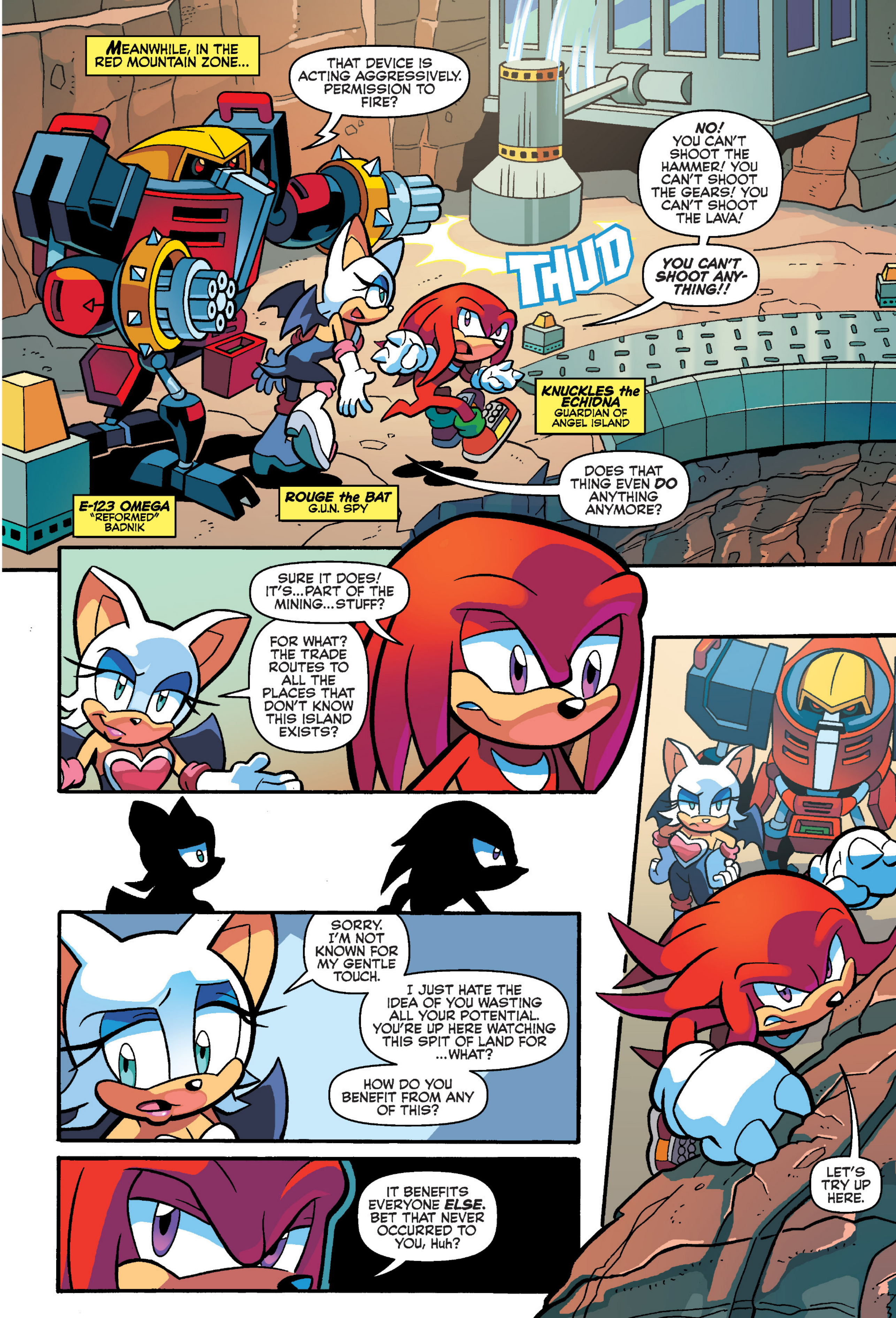
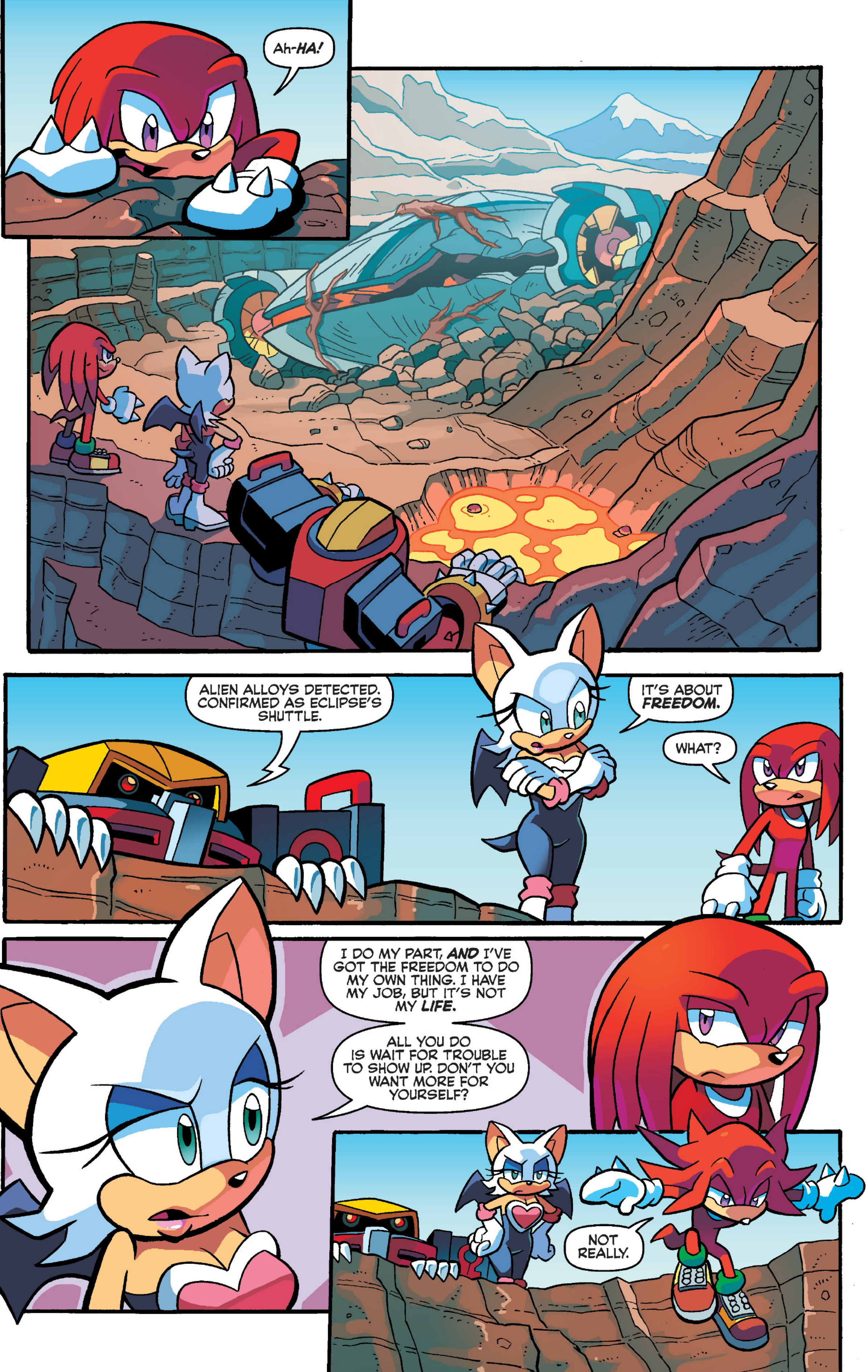

LOVELY. NOW THAT YOU'VE "FOUND" IT...

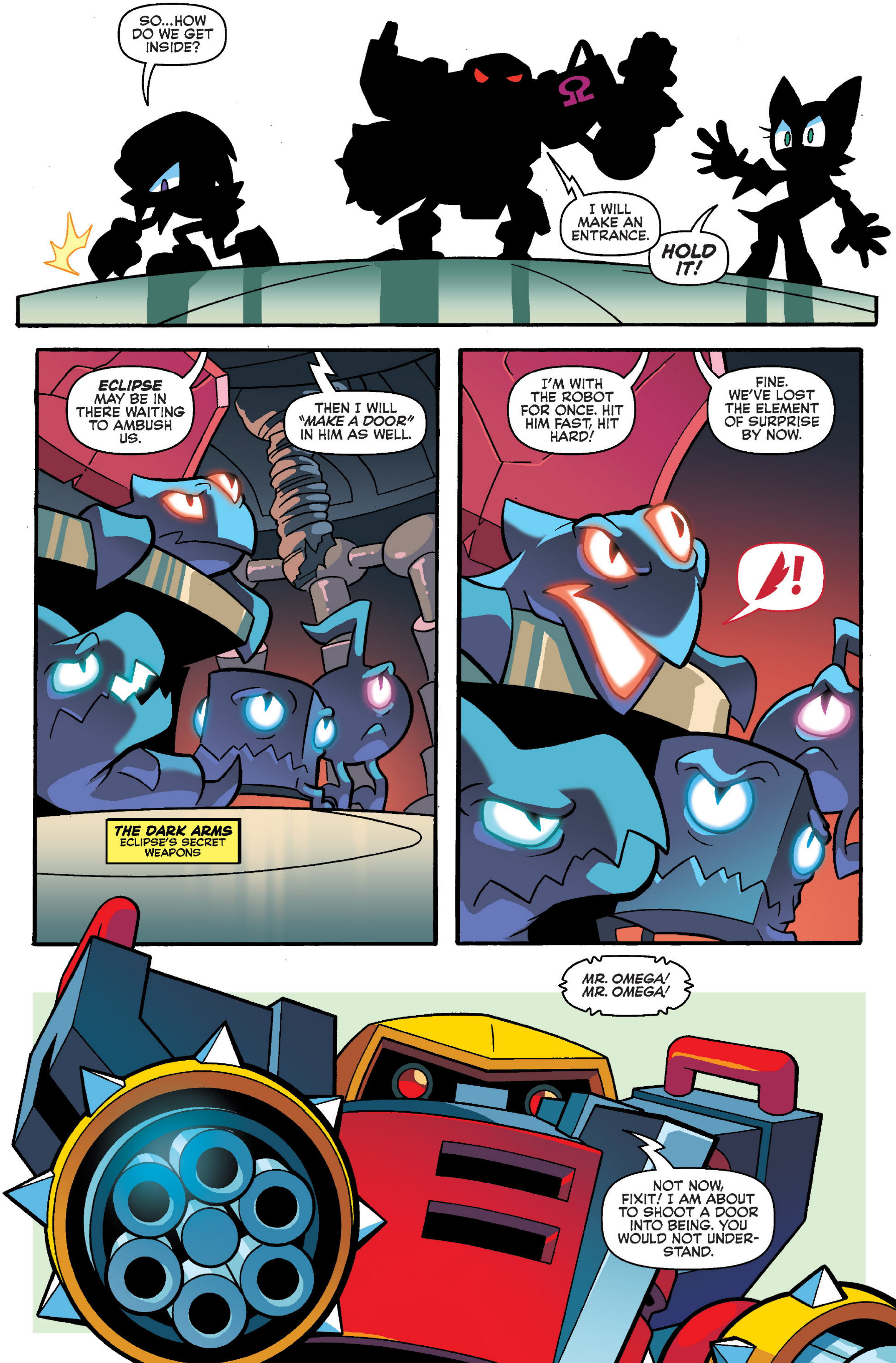

"...WHAT ARE YOU GOING TO *DO* ABOUT IT?!"
ECLIPSE the DARKLING VENGEFUL ALIEN
SHADOW the HEDGEHOG GRIM PROTECTOR

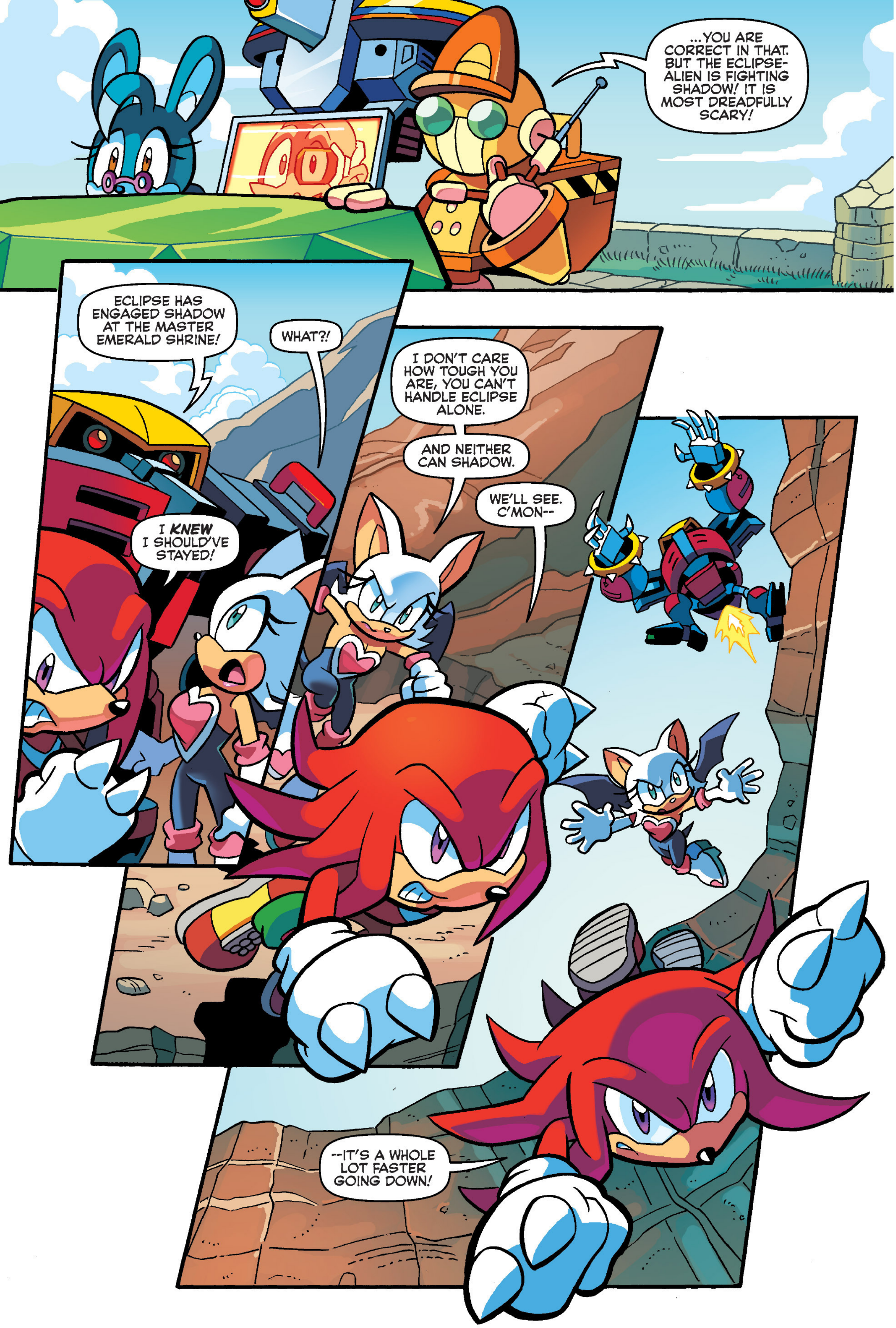

THWAKK
GRACIOUS! SHADOW, ARE YOU--?!
DON'T!
LET *ME* HANDLE THIS!
WOW. DISGUSTING.
YOU'LL WIPE OUT MY KIND--NO, ***OUR*** KIND--WITHOUT BATTING AN EYE...
...BUT YOU'LL GIVE YOUR LIFE TO PROTECT THESE WEAK, INFERIOR CREATURES.
RUDE!

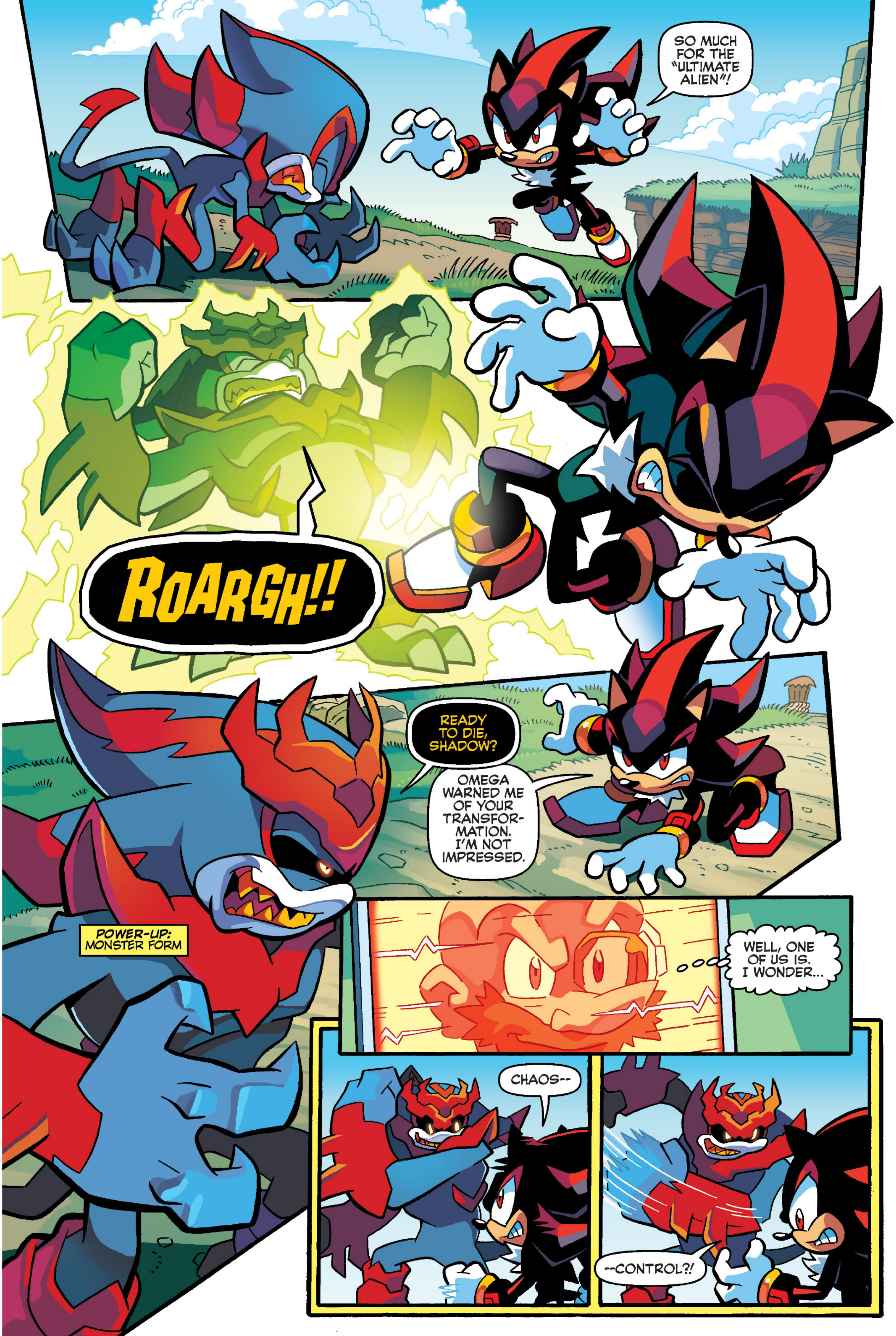

I WAS MADE TO KILL YOU, SHADOW, AND YOU'VE GIVEN ME EVERY REASON TO WANT YOU DEAD.
BUT YOU ARE ALSO THE LAST THING I CAN CALL FAMILY. SO I'M GIVING YOU THIS *ONE* CHANCE...
...*JOIN* ME, BROTHER. LET'S HARVEST THE LIFE ON THIS WORLD, RESTART OUR KIND, AND LEAVE THIS BROKEN PLANET TO ROT.
I SWORE TO THE PROFESSOR I WOULD PROTECT THIS WORLD. I SWORE TO MARIA I WOULD GIVE THE PEOPLE A CHANCE TO BE HAPPY.* AND THAT MEANS ENDING *YOU!*
**SONIC ADVENTURE 2* AND *SHADOW THE HEDGEHOG* --THE GAMES
I TRIED TO BE REASONABLE...

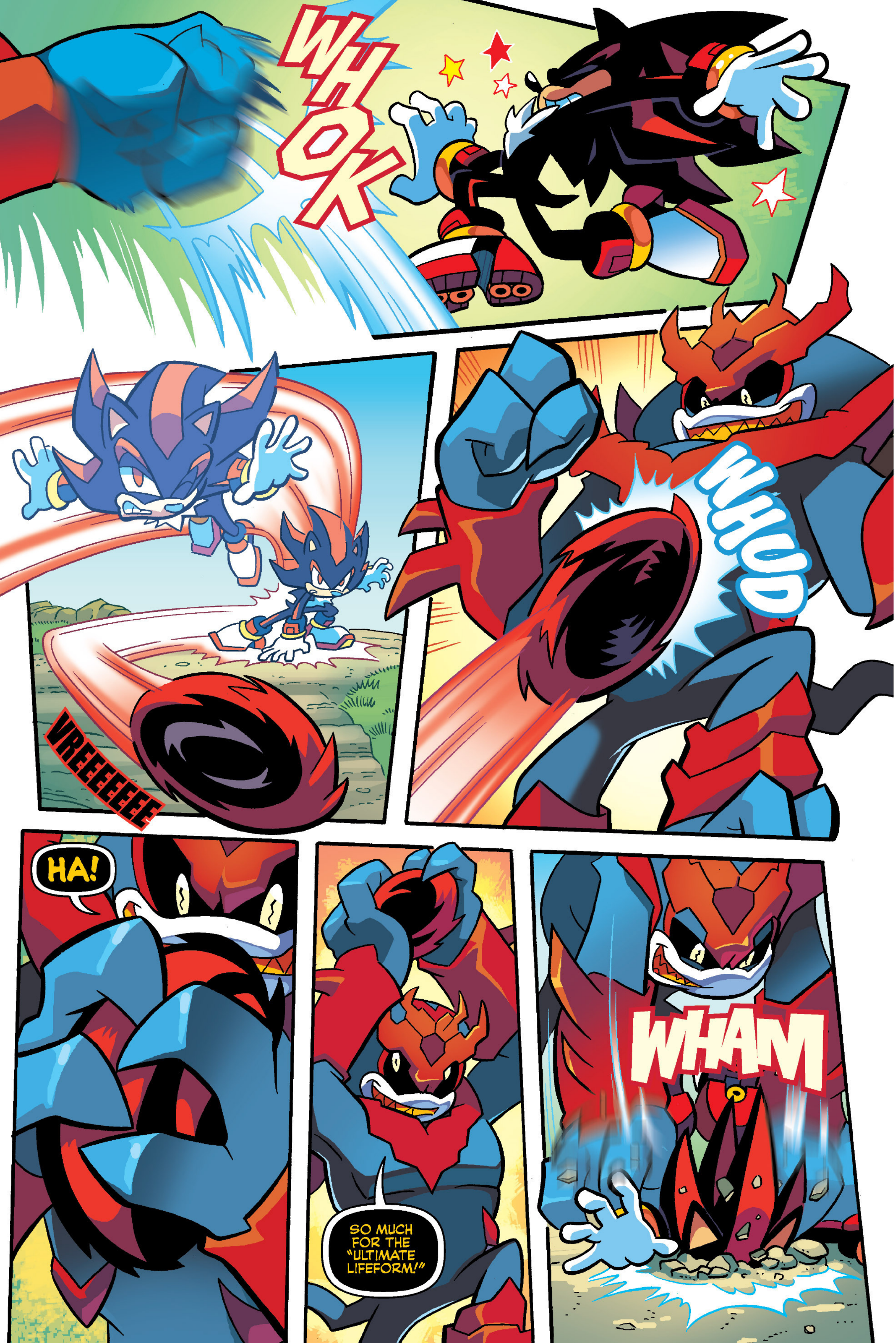

MEANWHILE, IN THE RED MOUNTAIN ZONE...
THAT DEVICE IS ACTING AGGRESSIVELY. PERMISSION TO FIRE?
NO! YOU CAN'T SHOOT THE HAMMER! YOU CAN'T SHOOT THE GEARS! YOU CAN'T SHOOT THE LAVA!
YOU CAN'T SHOOT ANYTHING!!
THUD
KNUCKLES the ECHIDNA GUARDIAN OF ANGEL ISLAND
E-123 OMEGA "REFORMED" BADNIK
ROUGE the BAT G.U.N. SPY
DOES THAT THING EVEN DO ANYTHING ANYMORE?
SURE IT DOES! IT'S...PART OF THE MINING...STUFF?
FOR WHAT? THE TRADE ROUTES TO ALL THE PLACES THAT DON'T KNOW THIS ISLAND EXISTS?
SORRY. I'M NOT KNOWN FOR MY GENTLE TOUCH.
I JUST HATE THE IDEA OF YOU WASTING ALL YOUR POTENTIAL. YOU'RE UP HERE WATCHING THIS SPIT OF LAND FOR ...WHAT?
HOW DO YOU BENEFIT FROM ANY OF THIS?
IT BENEFITS EVERYONE ELSE. BET THAT NEVER OCCURRED TO YOU, Huh?
LET'S TRY UP HERE.

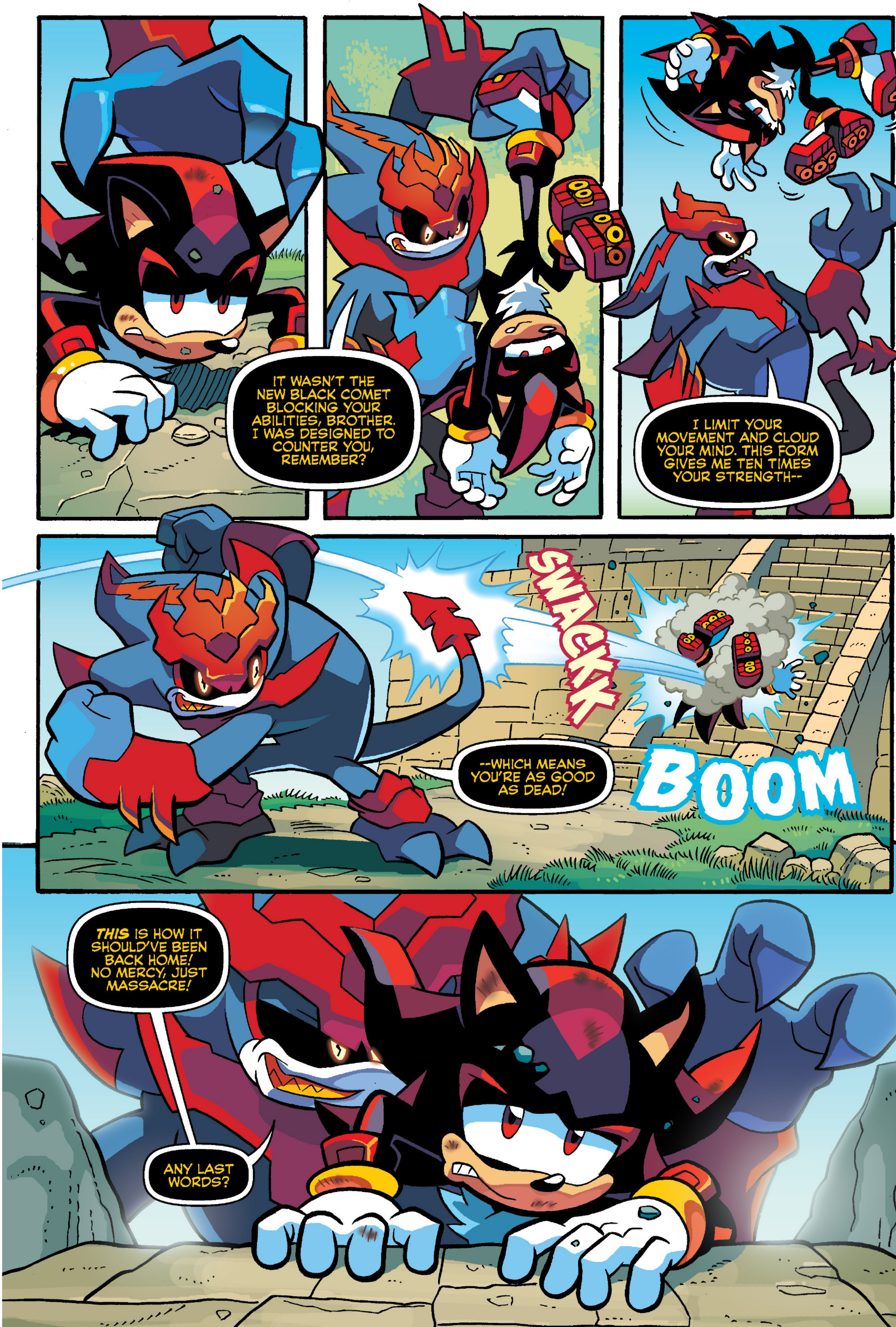

Ah-*HA!*
ALIEN ALLOYS DETECTED. CONFIRMED AS ECLIPSE'S SHUTTLE.
IT'S ABOUT *FREEDOM.*
WHAT?
I DO MY PART, *AND* I'VE GOT THE FREEDOM TO DO MY OWN THING. I HAVE MY JOB, BUT IT'S NOT MY *LIFE.*
ALL YOU DO IS WAIT FOR TROUBLE TO SHOW UP. DON'T YOU WANT MORE FOR YOURSELF?
NOT REALLY.

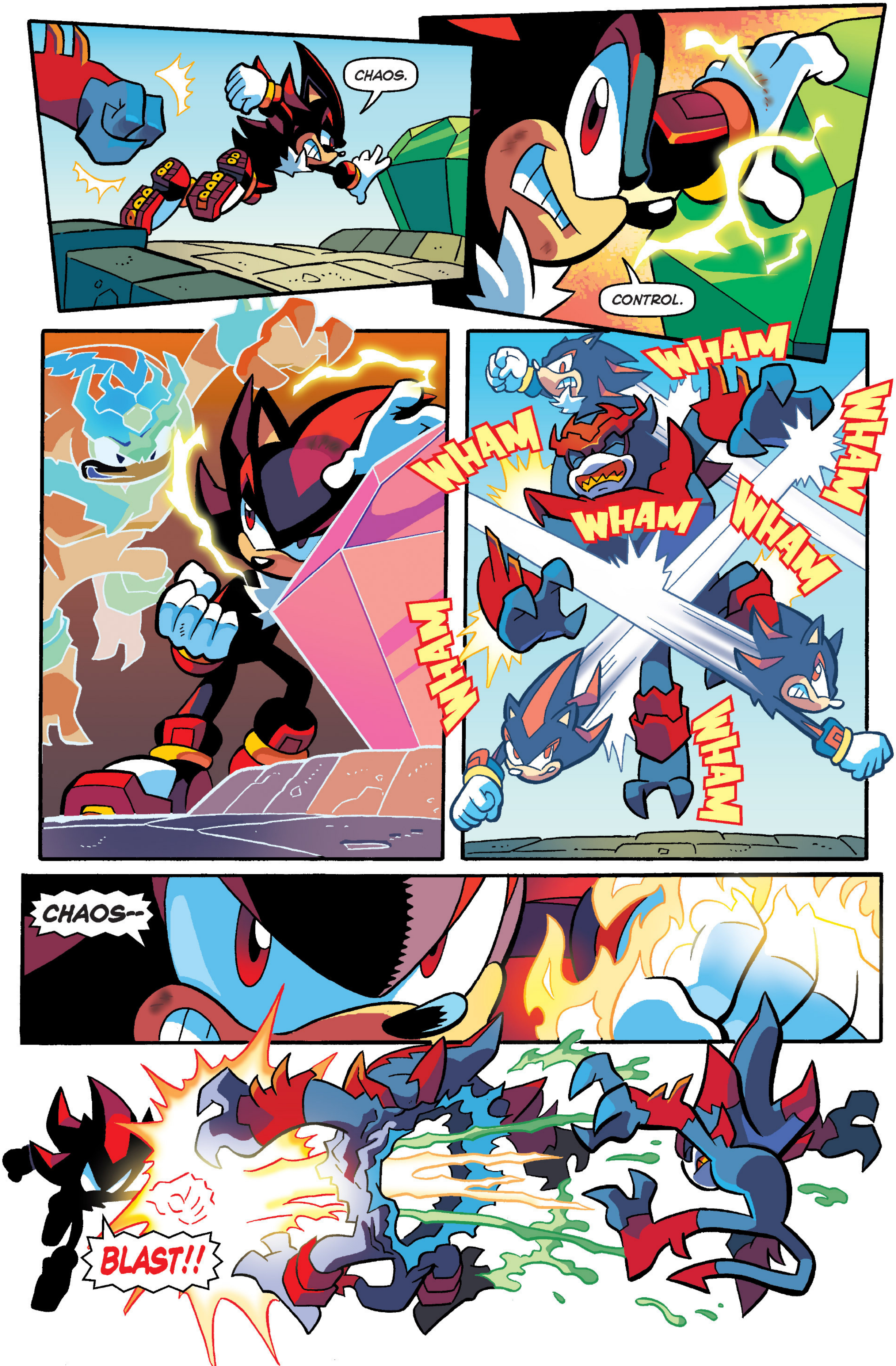

SO...HOW DO WE GET INSIDE?
I WILL MAKE AN ENTRANCE.
HOLD IT!
ECLIPSE MAY BE IN THERE WAITING TO AMBUSH US.
THEN I WILL *"MAKE A DOOR"* IN HIM AS WELL.
THE DARK ARMS ECLIPSE'S SECRET WEAPONS
I'M WITH THE ROBOT FOR ONCE. HIT HIM FAST, HIT HARD!
FINE. WE'VE LOST THE ELEMENT OF SURPRISE BY NOW.
!
MR. OMEGA! MR. OMEGA!
NOT NOW, FIXIT! I AM ABOUT TO SHOOT A DOOR INTO BEING. YOU WOULD NOT UNDERSTAND.


...YOU ARE CORRECT IN THAT. BUT THE ECLIPSE-ALIEN IS FIGHTING SHADOW! IT IS MOST DREADFULLY SCARY!
ECLIPSE HAS ENGAGED SHADOW AT THE MASTER EMERALD SHRINE!
WHAT?!
I ***KNEW*** I SHOULD’VE STAYED!
I DON’T CARE HOW TOUGH YOU ARE, YOU CAN’T HANDLE ECLIPSE ALONE.
AND NEITHER CAN SHADOW.
WE’LL SEE. C’MON--
--IT’S A WHOLE LOT FASTER GOING DOWN!


SO MUCH FOR THE "ULTIMATE ALIEN"!
ROARGH!!
READY TO DIE, SHADOW?
OMEGA WARNED ME OF YOUR TRANSFORMATION. I'M NOT IMPRESSED.
POWER-UP: MONSTER FORM
WELL, ONE OF US IS. I WONDER...
CHAOS--
--CONTROL?!


WHOK
VREEEEEEEE
WHUD
HA!
SO MUCH FOR THE "ULTIMATE LIFEFORM!"
WHAM


IT WASN'T THE NEW BLACK COMET BLOCKING YOUR ABILITIES, BROTHER. I WAS DESIGNED TO COUNTER YOU, REMEMBER?
I LIMIT YOUR MOVEMENT AND CLOUD YOUR MIND. THIS FORM GIVES ME TEN TIMES YOUR STRENGTH--
SWACKK
--WHICH MEANS YOU'RE AS GOOD AS DEAD!
BOOM
THIS IS HOW IT SHOULD'VE BEEN BACK HOME! NO MERCY, JUST MASSACRE!
ANY LAST WORDS?


CHAOS.
CONTROL.
WHAM
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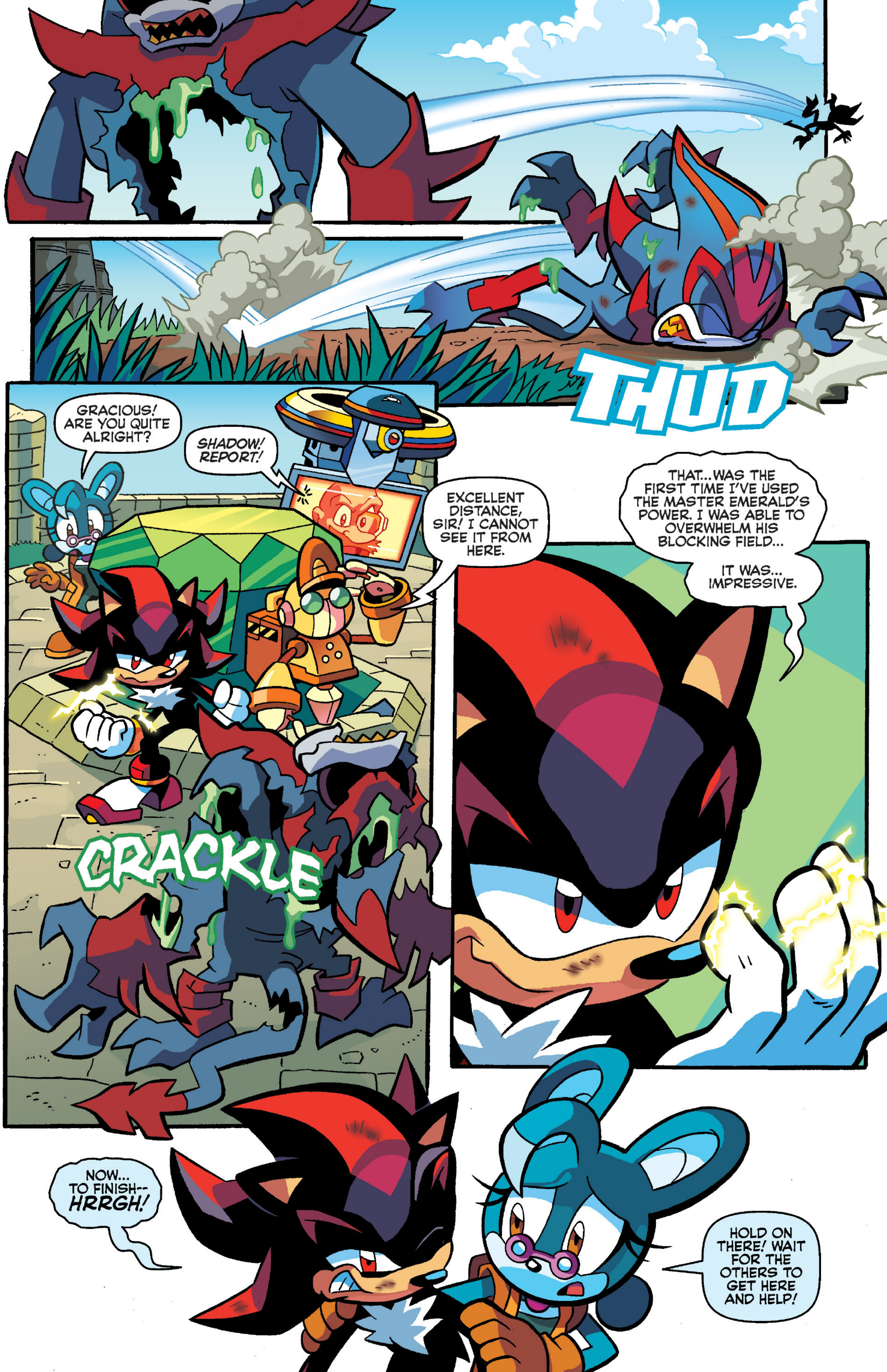
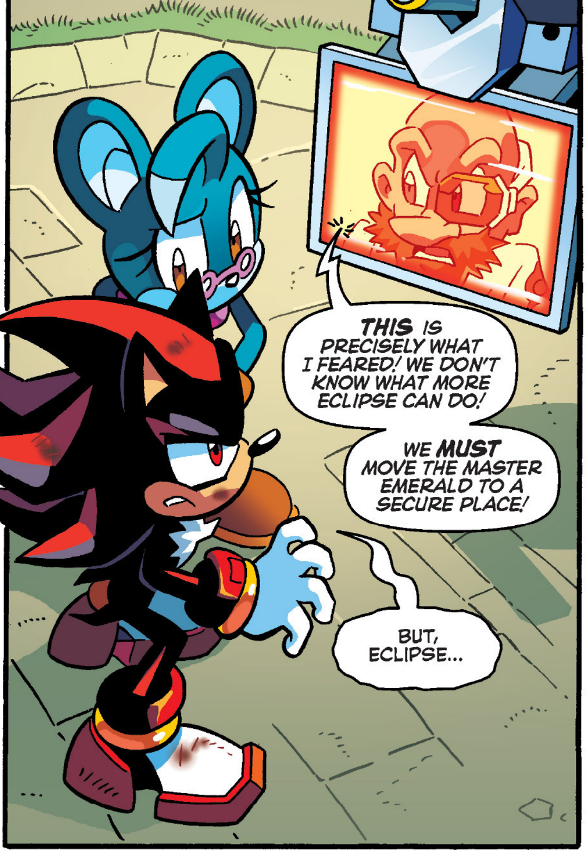
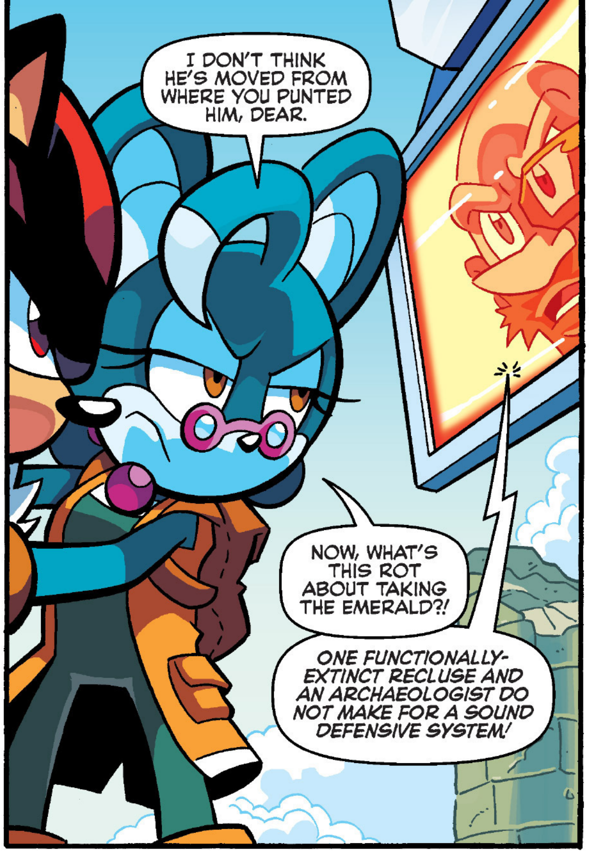
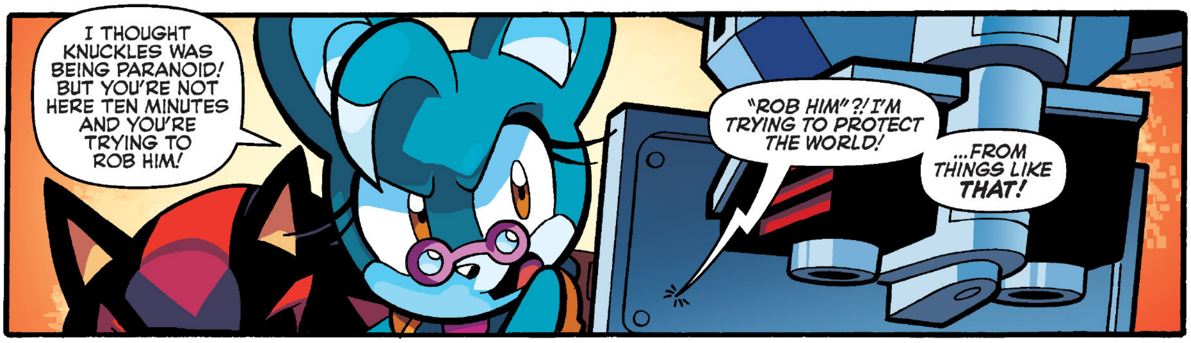
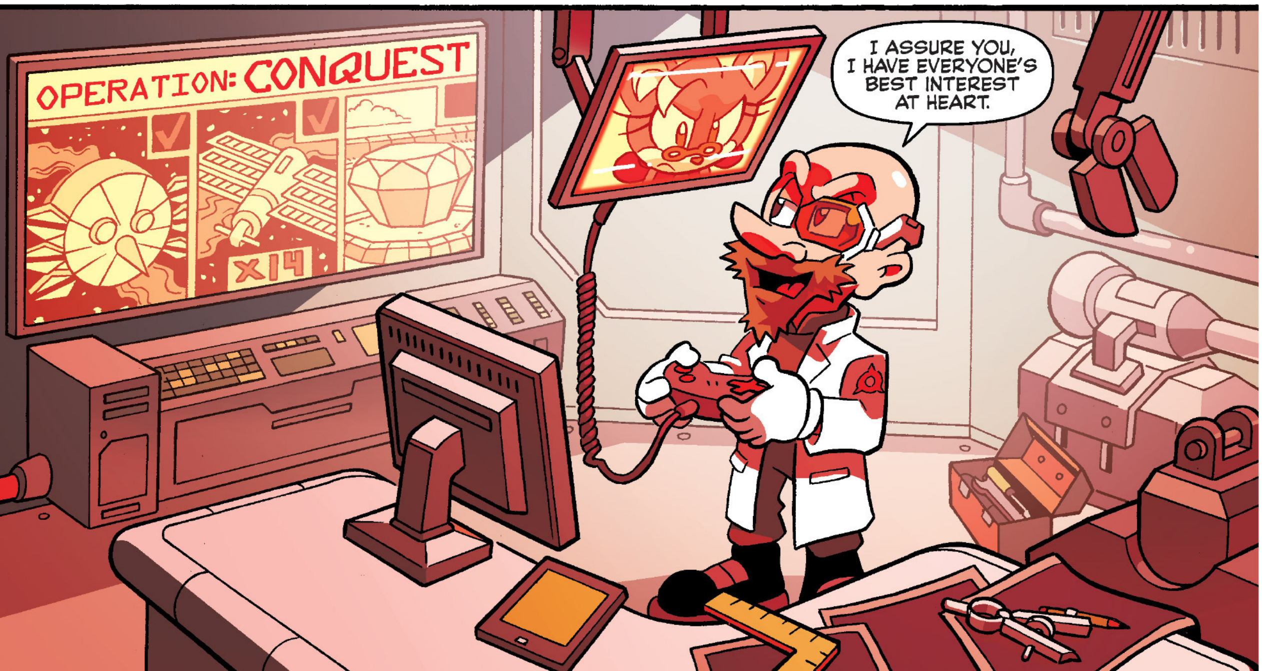
CHAOS--
BLAST!!


THUD
GRACIOUS! ARE YOU QUITE ALRIGHT?
SHADOW! REPORT!
EXCELLENT DISTANCE, SIR! I CANNOT SEE IT FROM HERE.
CRACKLE
THAT...WAS THE FIRST TIME I'VE USED THE MASTER EMERALD'S POWER. I WAS ABLE TO OVERWHELM HIS BLOCKING FIELD...
IT WAS... IMPRESSIVE.
NOW... TO FINISH-- HRRGH!
HOLD ON THERE! WAIT FOR THE OTHERS TO GET HERE AND HELP!


THIS IS PRECISELY WHAT I FEARED! WE DON'T KNOW WHAT MORE ECLIPSE CAN DO!
WE **MUST** MOVE THE MASTER EMERALD TO A SECURE PLACE!
BUT, ECLIPSE...


I DON'T THINK HE'S MOVED FROM WHERE YOU PUNTED HIM, DEAR.
NOW, WHAT'S THIS ROT ABOUT TAKING THE EMERALD?!
ONE FUNCTIONALLY-EXTINCT RECLUSE AND AN ARCHAEOLOGIST DO NOT MAKE FOR A SOUND DEFENSIVE SYSTEM!


I THOUGHT KNUCKLES WAS BEING PARANOID! BUT YOU'RE NOT HERE TEN MINUTES AND YOU'RE TRYING TO ROB HIM!
"ROB HIM"?! I'M TRYING TO PROTECT THE WORLD!
...FROM THINGS LIKE **THAT!**


OPERATION: CONQUEST
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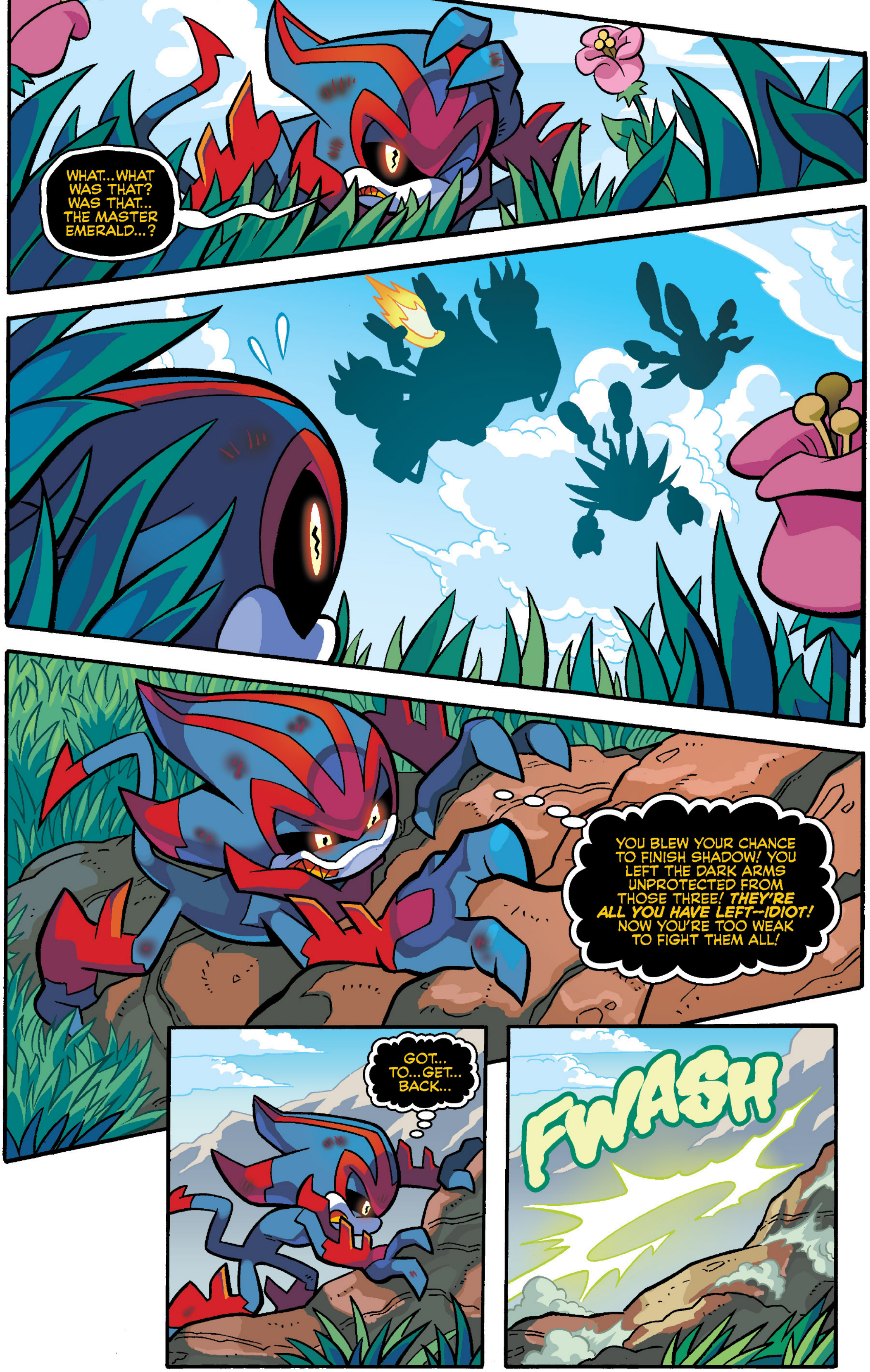
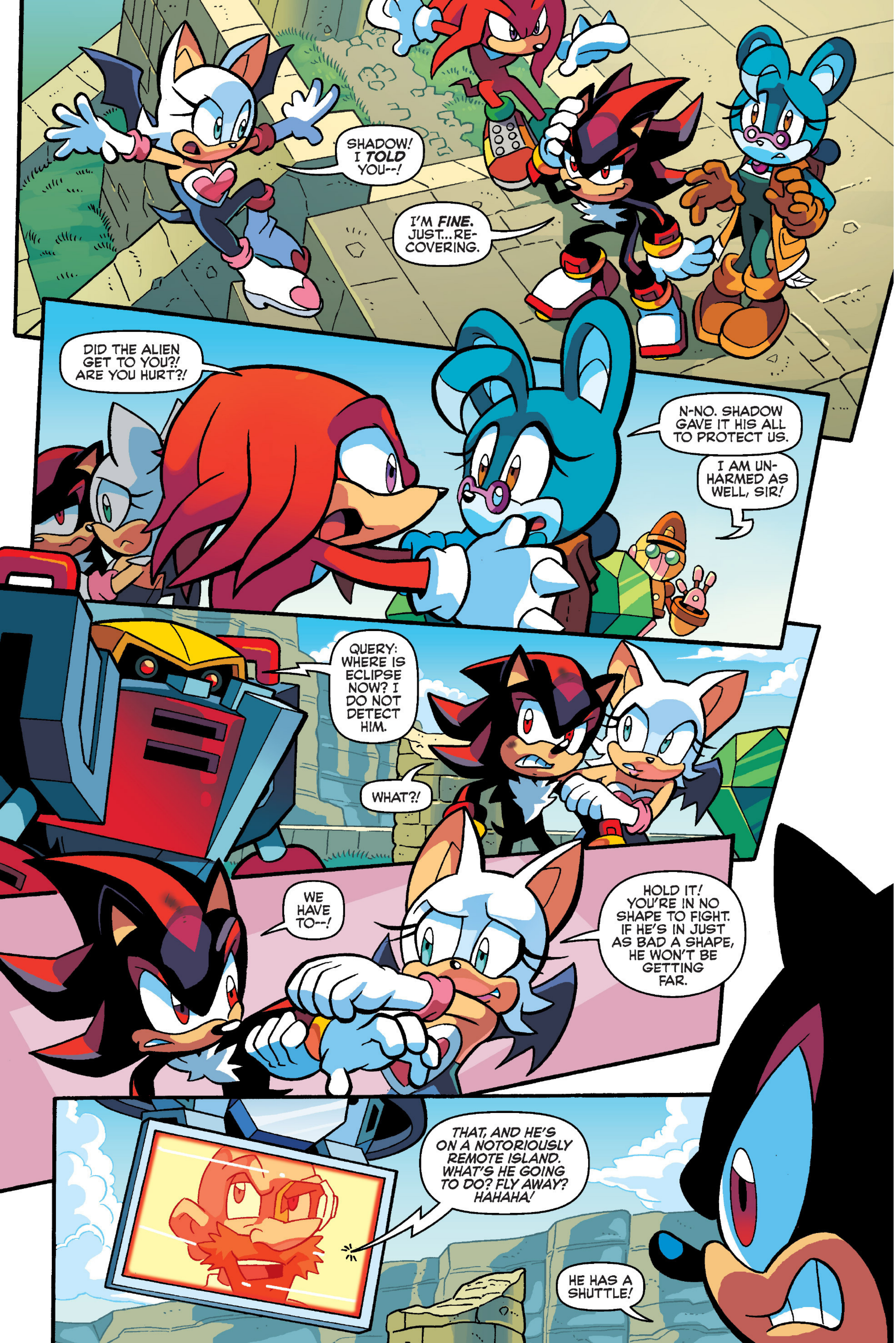
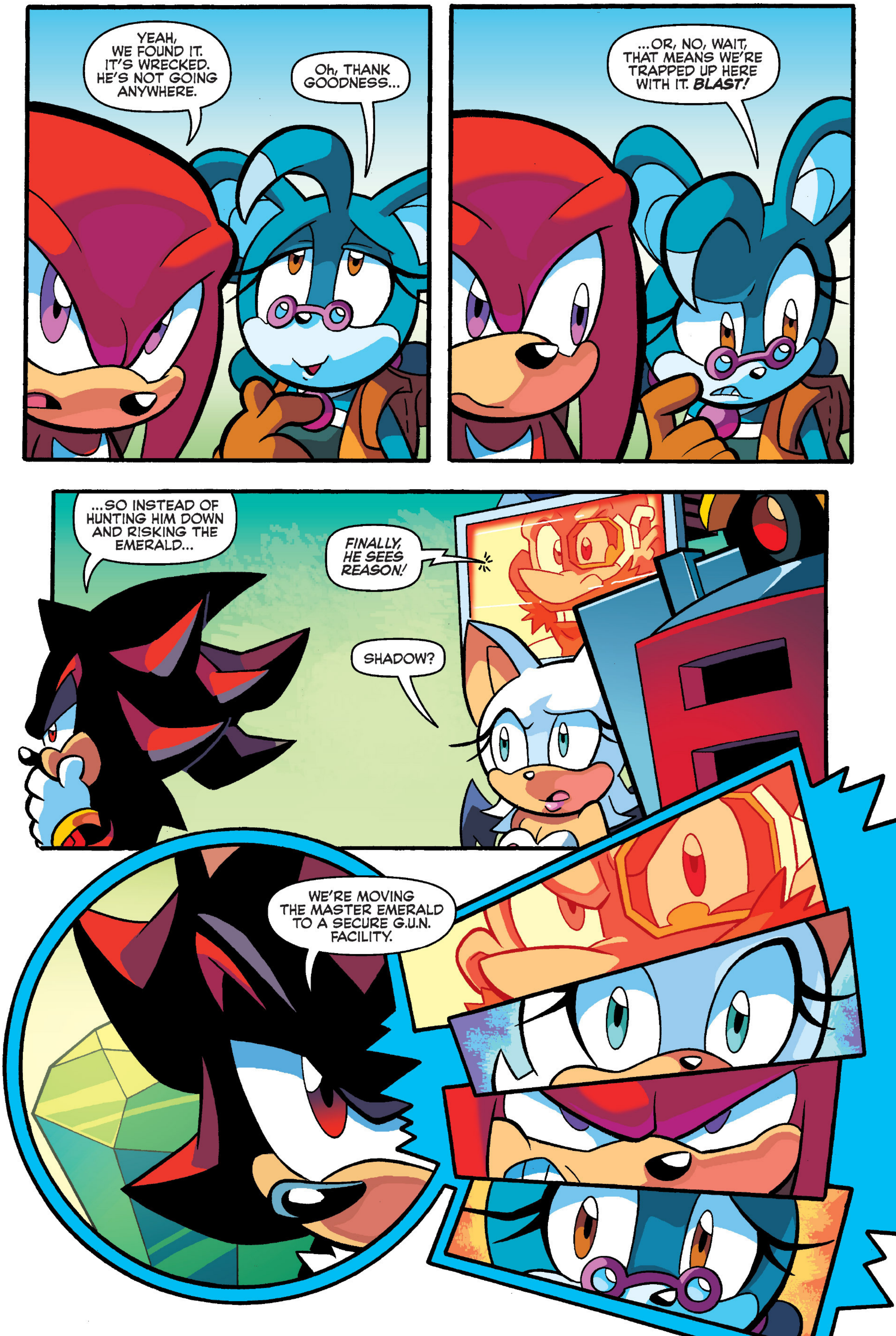
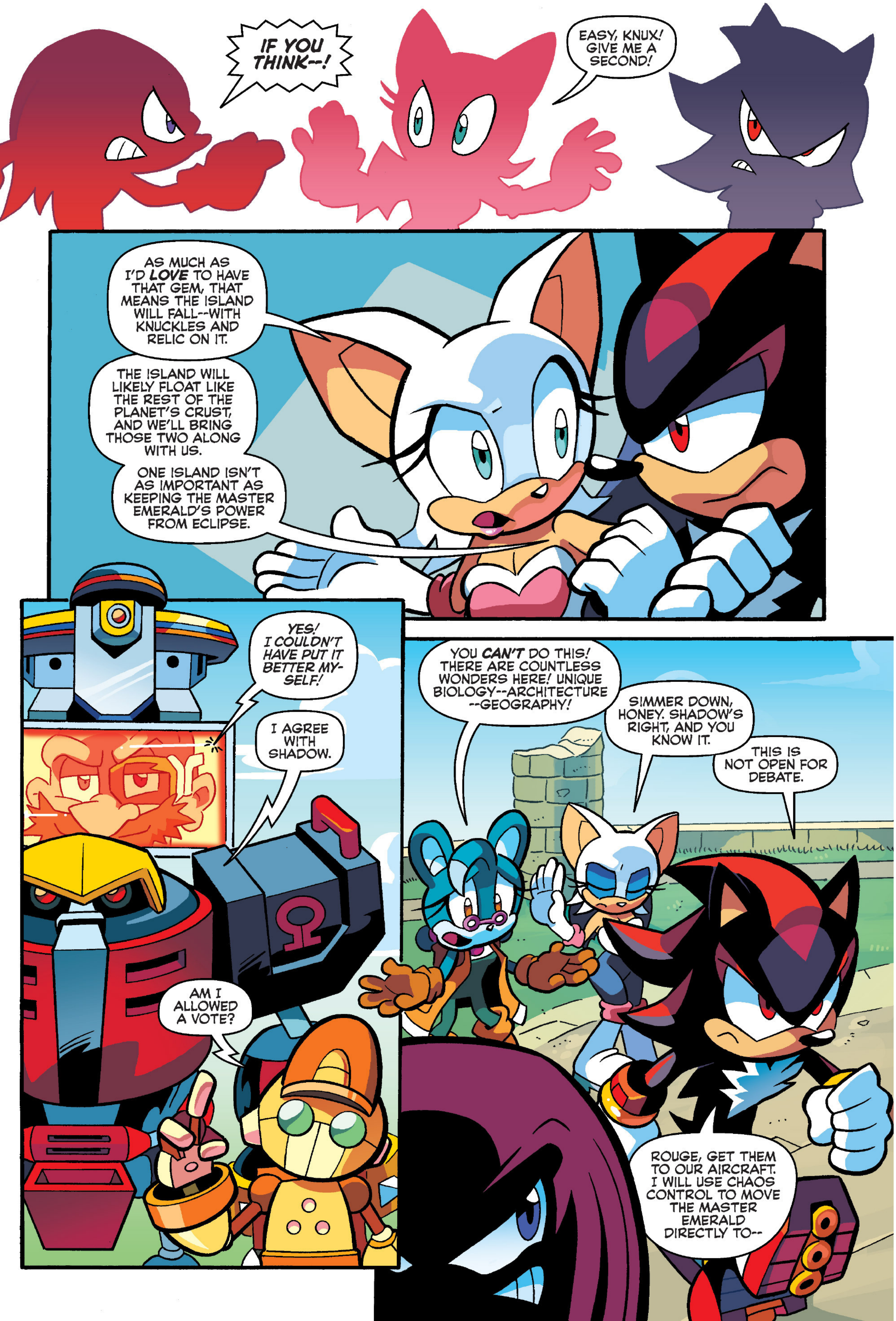
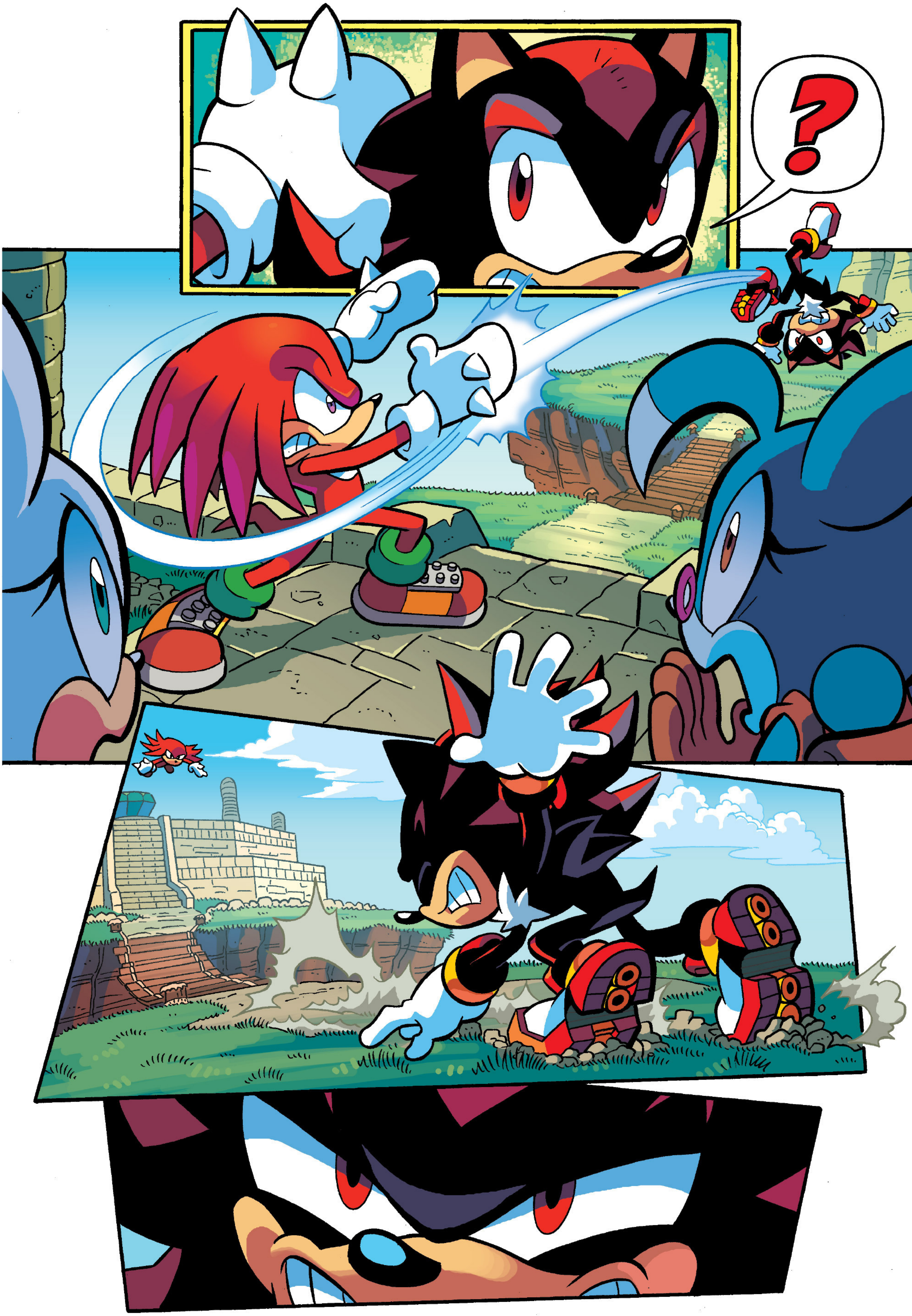
I ASSURE YOU, I HAVE EVERYONE'S BEST INTEREST AT HEART.

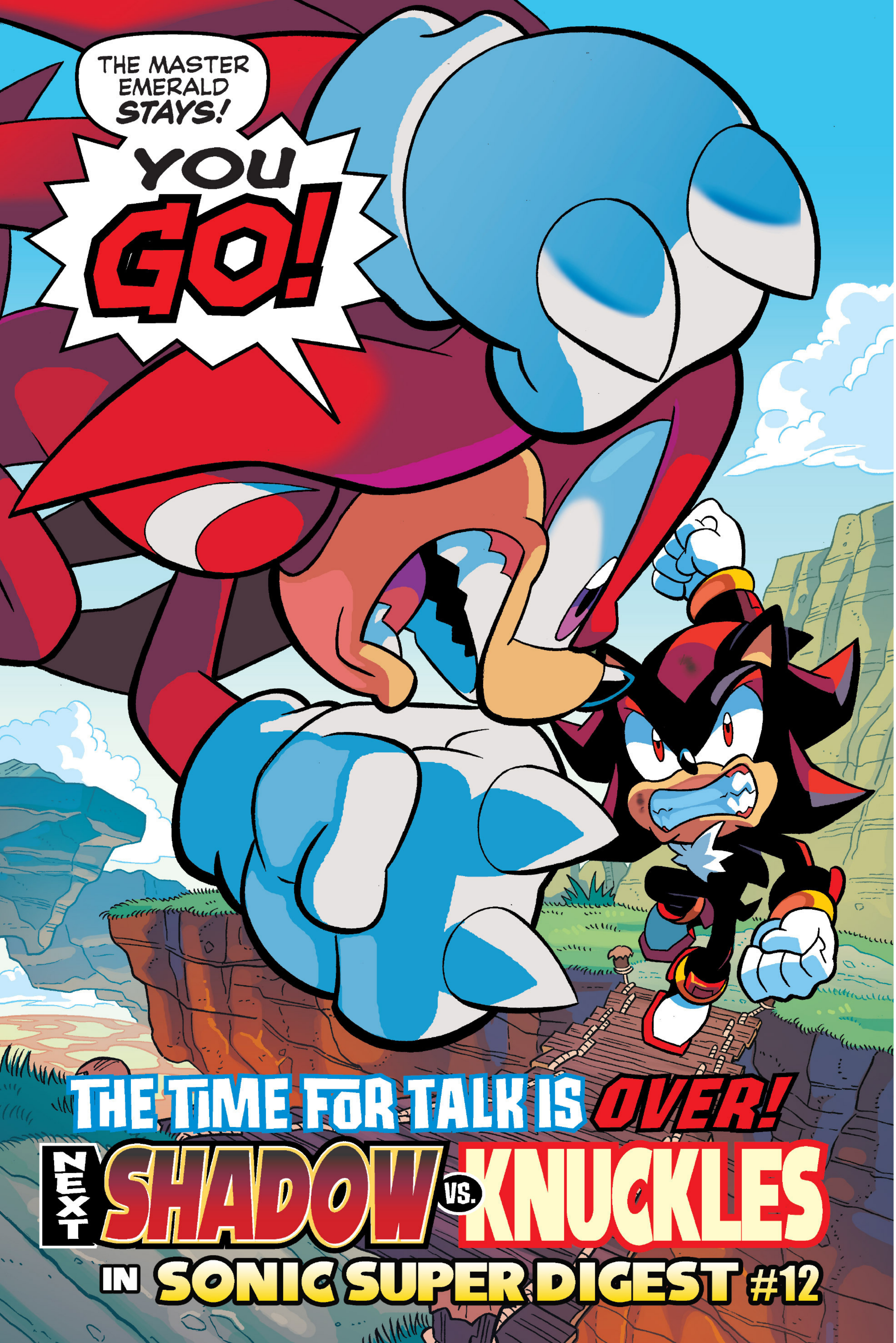

WHAT...WHAT WAS THAT? WAS THAT... THE MASTER EMERALD...?
YOU BLEW YOUR CHANCE TO FINISH SHADOW! YOU LEFT THE DARK ARMS UNPROTECTED FROM THOSE THREE! *THEY'RE ALL YOU HAVE LEFT--IDIOT!* NOW YOU'RE TOO WEAK TO FIGHT THEM ALL!
GOT... TO...GET... BACK...
FWASH


SHADOW! I TOLD YOU--!
I'M FINE. JUST...RE-COVERING.
DID THE ALIEN GET TO YOU?! ARE YOU HURT?!
N-NO. SHADOW GAVE IT HIS ALL TO PROTECT US.
I AM UN-HARMED AS WELL, SIR!
QUERY: WHERE IS ECLIPSE NOW? I DO NOT DETECT HIM.
WHAT?!
WE HAVE TO--!
HOLD IT! YOU'RE IN NO SHAPE TO FIGHT. IF HE'S IN JUST AS BAD A SHAPE, HE WON'T BE GETTING FAR.
THAT, AND HE'S ON A NOTORIOUSLY REMOTE ISLAND. WHAT'S HE GOING TO DO? FLY AWAY? HAHAHA!
HE HAS A SHUTTLE!


YEAH, WE FOUND IT. IT'S WRECKED. HE'S NOT GOING ANYWHERE.
Oh, THANK GOODNESS...
...OR, NO, WAIT, THAT MEANS WE'RE TRAPPED UP HERE WITH IT. *BLAST!*
...SO INSTEAD OF HUNTING HIM DOWN AND RISKING THE EMERALD...
FINALLY, HE SEES REASON!
SHADOW?
WE'RE MOVING THE MASTER EMERALD TO A SECURE G.U.N. FACILITY.


IF YOU THINK--!
EASY, KNUX! GIVE ME A SECOND!
AS MUCH AS I'D **LOVE** TO HAVE THAT GEM, THAT MEANS THE ISLAND WILL FALL--WITH KNUCKLES AND RELIC ON IT.
THE ISLAND WILL LIKELY FLOAT LIKE THE REST OF THE PLANET'S CRUST, AND WE'LL BRING THOSE TWO ALONG WITH US.
ONE ISLAND ISN'T AS IMPORTANT AS KEEPING THE MASTER EMERALD'S POWER FROM ECLIPSE.
YES! I COULDN'T HAVE PUT IT BETTER MY-SELF!
I AGREE WITH SHADOW.
AM I ALLOWED A VOTE?
YOU **CAN'T** DO THIS! THERE ARE COUNTLESS WONDERS HERE! UNIQUE BIOLOGY--ARCHITECTURE --GEOGRAPHY!
SIMMER DOWN, HONEY. SHADOW'S RIGHT, AND YOU KNOW IT.
THIS IS NOT OPEN FOR DEBATE.
ROUGE, GET THEM TO OUR AIRCRAFT. I WILL USE CHAOS CONTROL TO MOVE THE MASTER EMERALD DIRECTLY TO--




THE MASTER EMERALD STAYS!
YOU GO!
THE TIME FOR TALK IS OVER!
NEXT
SHADOW VS. KNUCKLES
IN SONIC SUPER DIGEST #12

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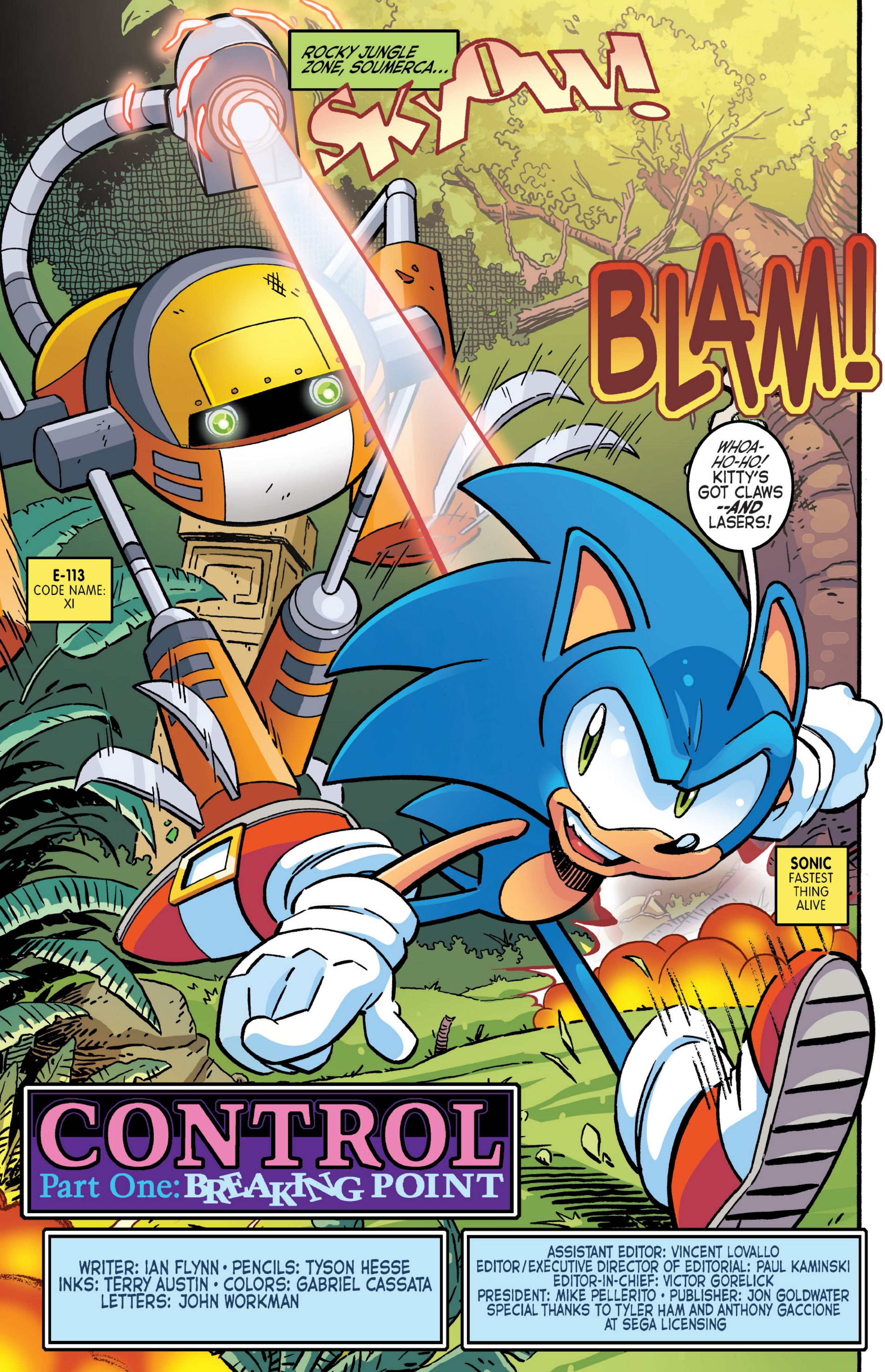
ROCKY JUNGLE ZONE, SOUMERCA...
SKYAAAN!
BLAM!
E-113 CODE NAME: XI
WHOA-HO-HO! KITTY'S GOT CLAWS --AND LASERS!
SONIC FASTEST THING ALIVE

CONTROL

Part One: BREAKING POINT

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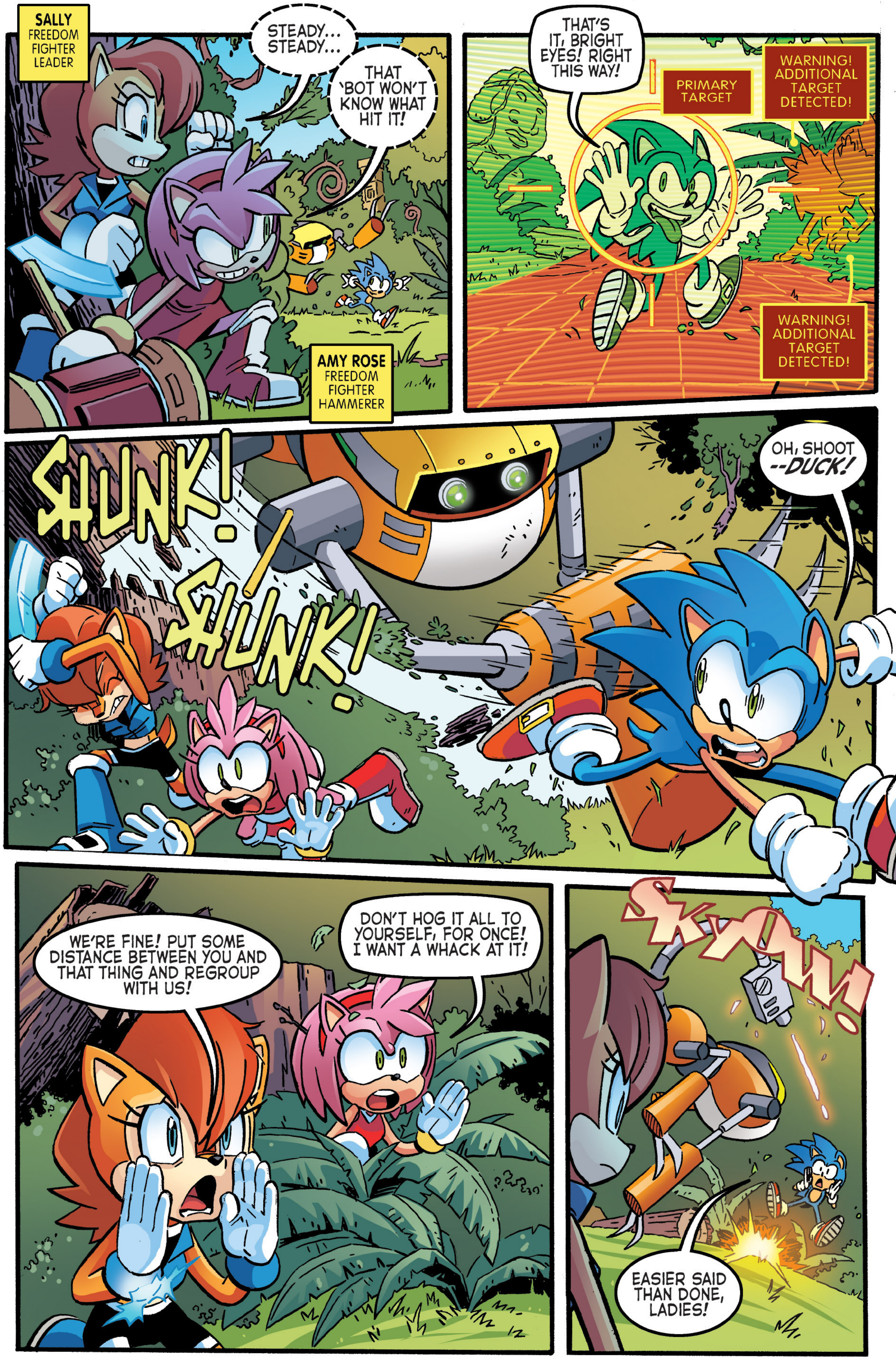
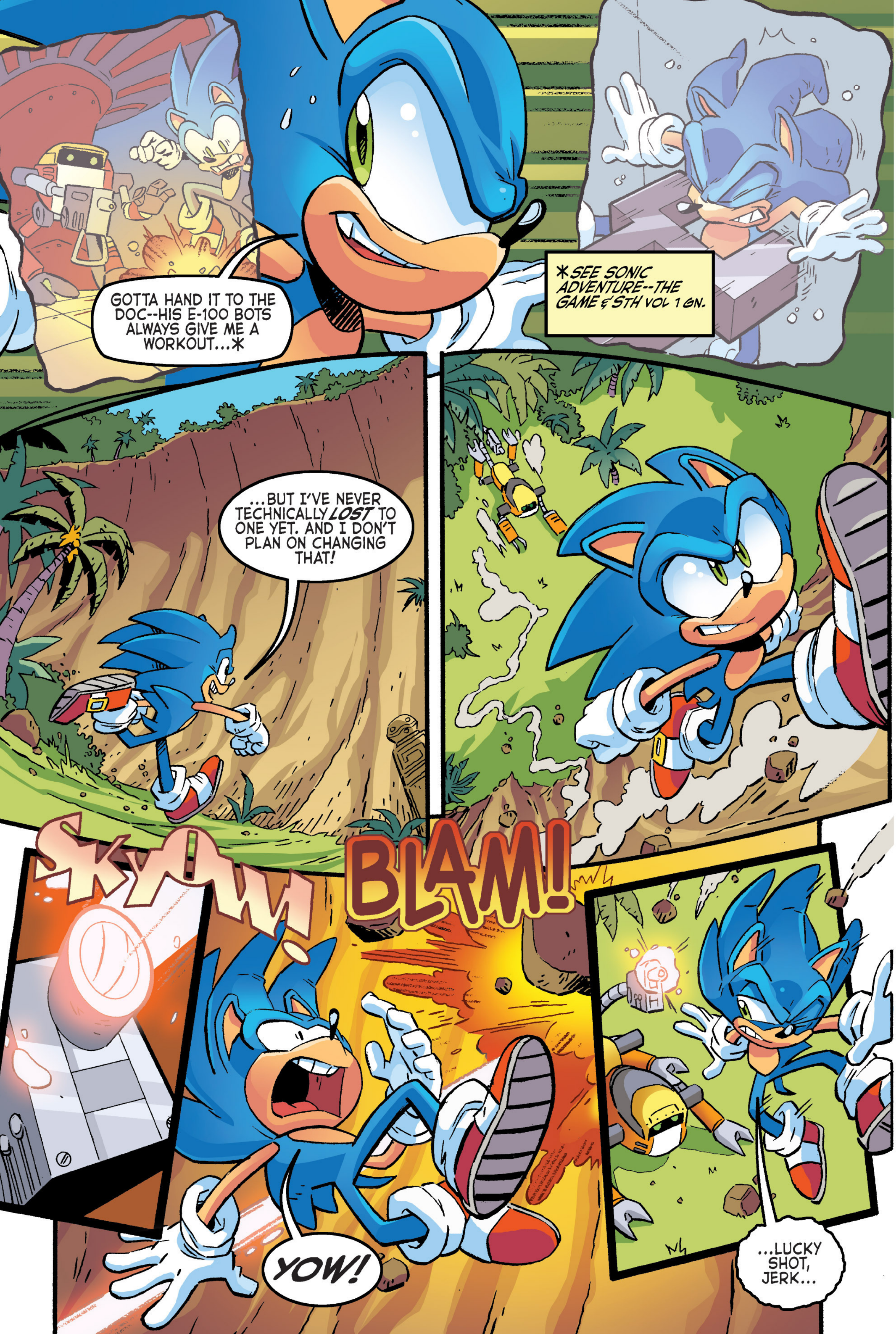
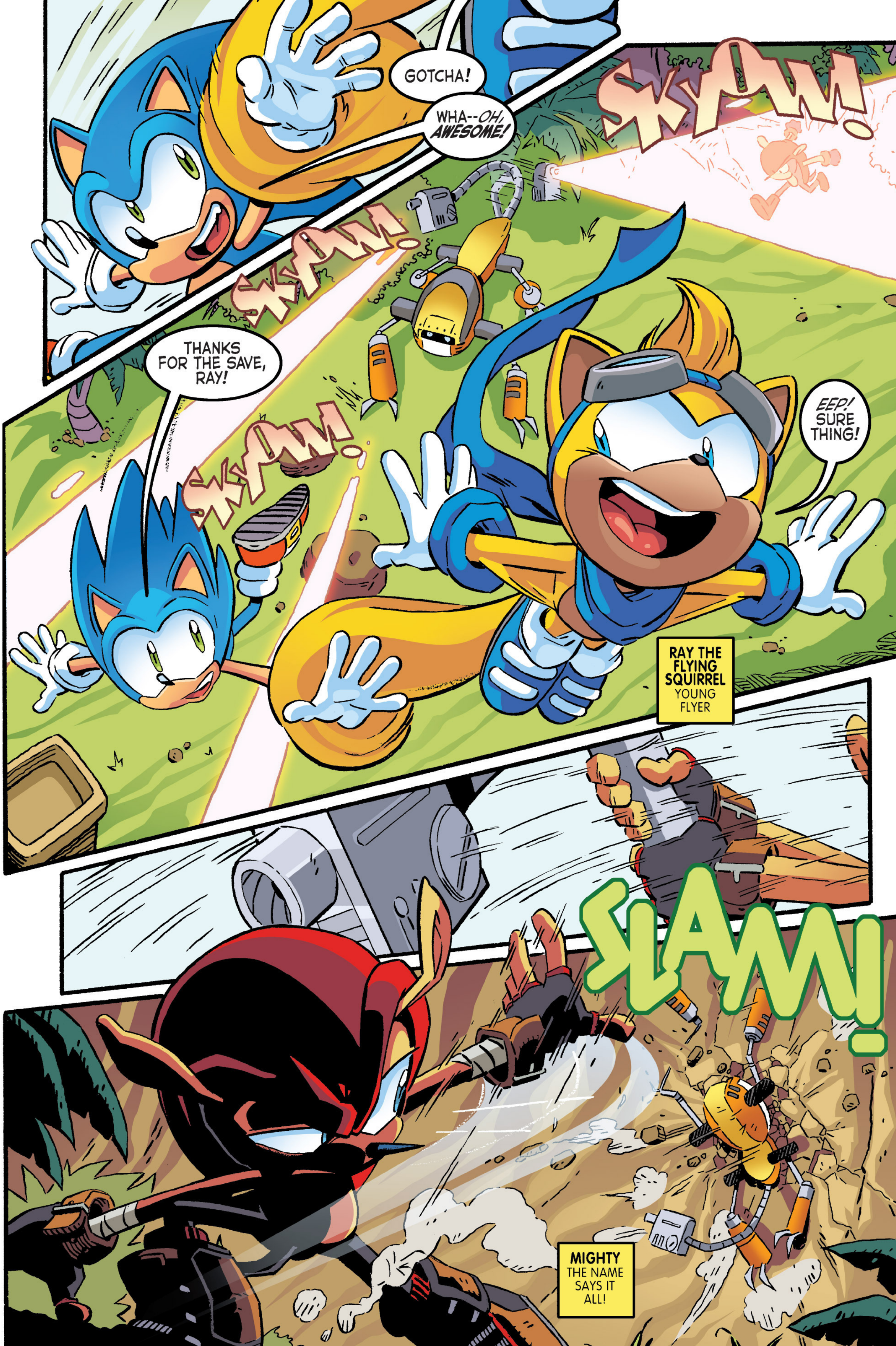
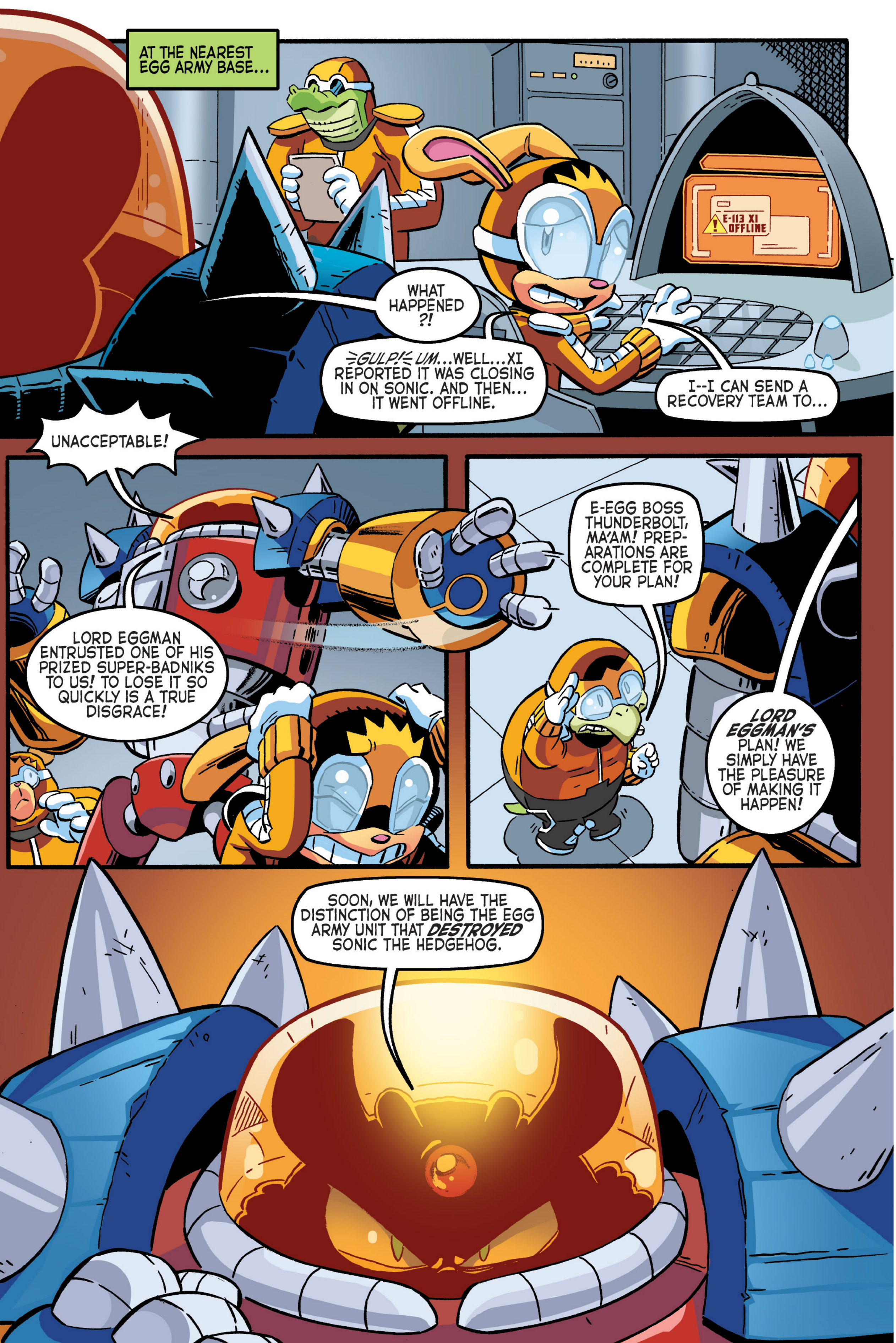
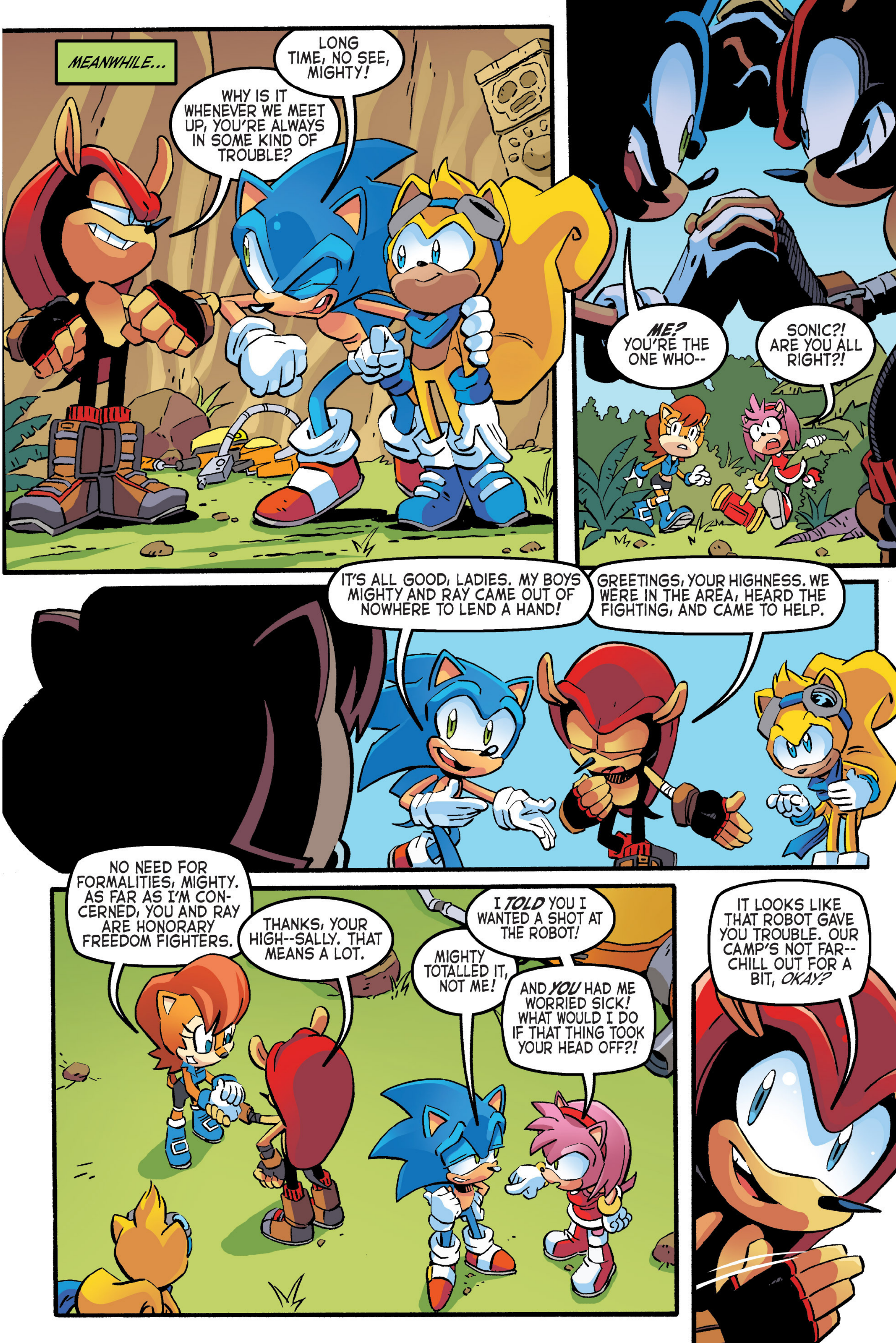
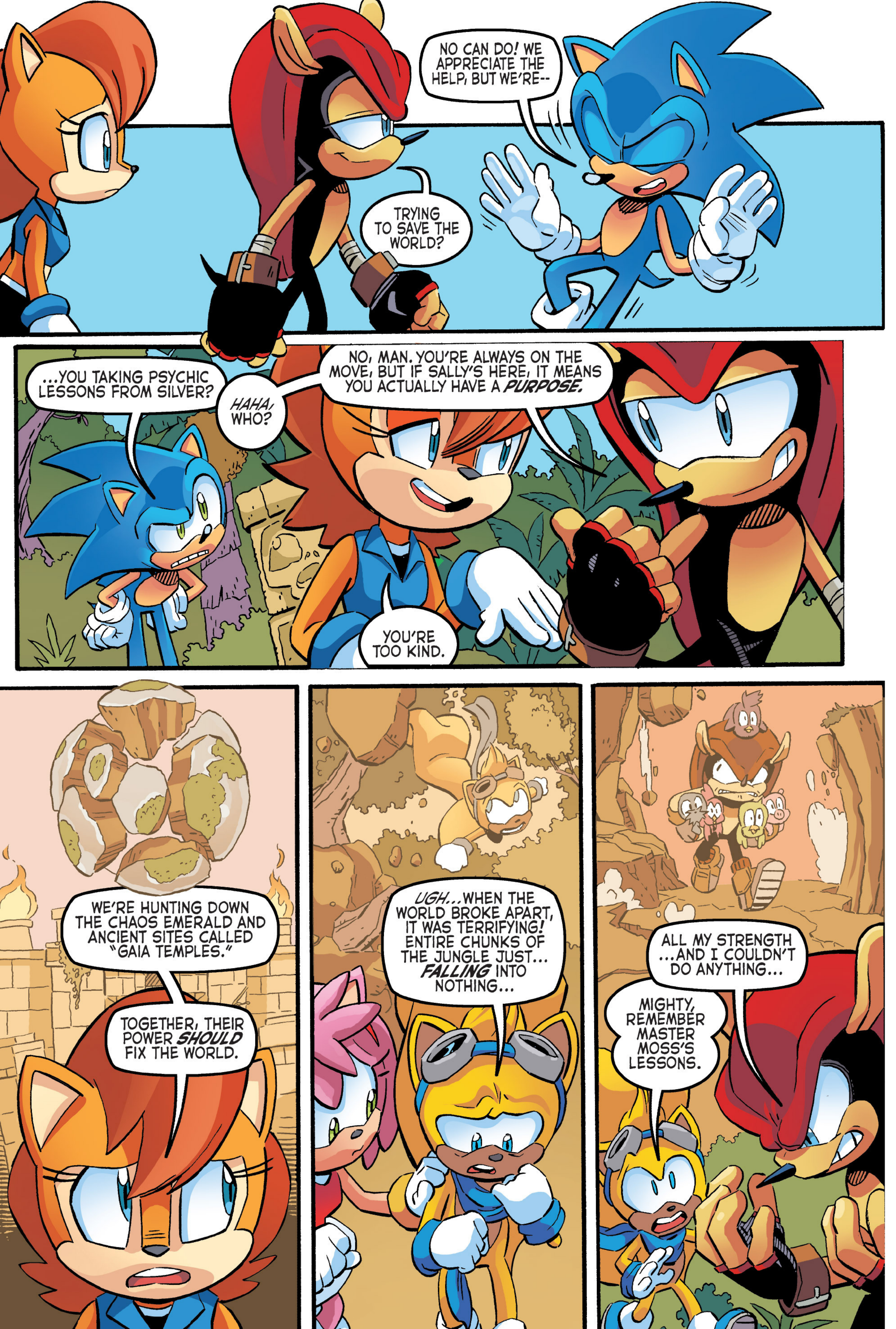

SALLY
FREEDOM FIGHTER LEADER
STEADY... STEADY...
THAT 'BOT WON'T KNOW WHAT HIT IT!
AMY ROSE
FREEDOM FIGHTER HAMMERER
THAT'S IT, BRIGHT EYES! RIGHT THIS WAY!
PRIMARY TARGET
WARNING! ADDITIONAL TARGET DETECTED!
WARNING! ADDITIONAL TARGET DETECTED!
SHUNK!
SHUNK!
OH, SHOOT --*DUCK!*
WE'RE FINE! PUT SOME DISTANCE BETWEEN YOU AND THAT THING AND REGROUP WITH US!
DON'T HOG IT ALL TO YOURSELF, FOR ONCE! I WANT A WHACK AT IT!
SKYAW!
EASIER SAID THAN DONE, LADIES!

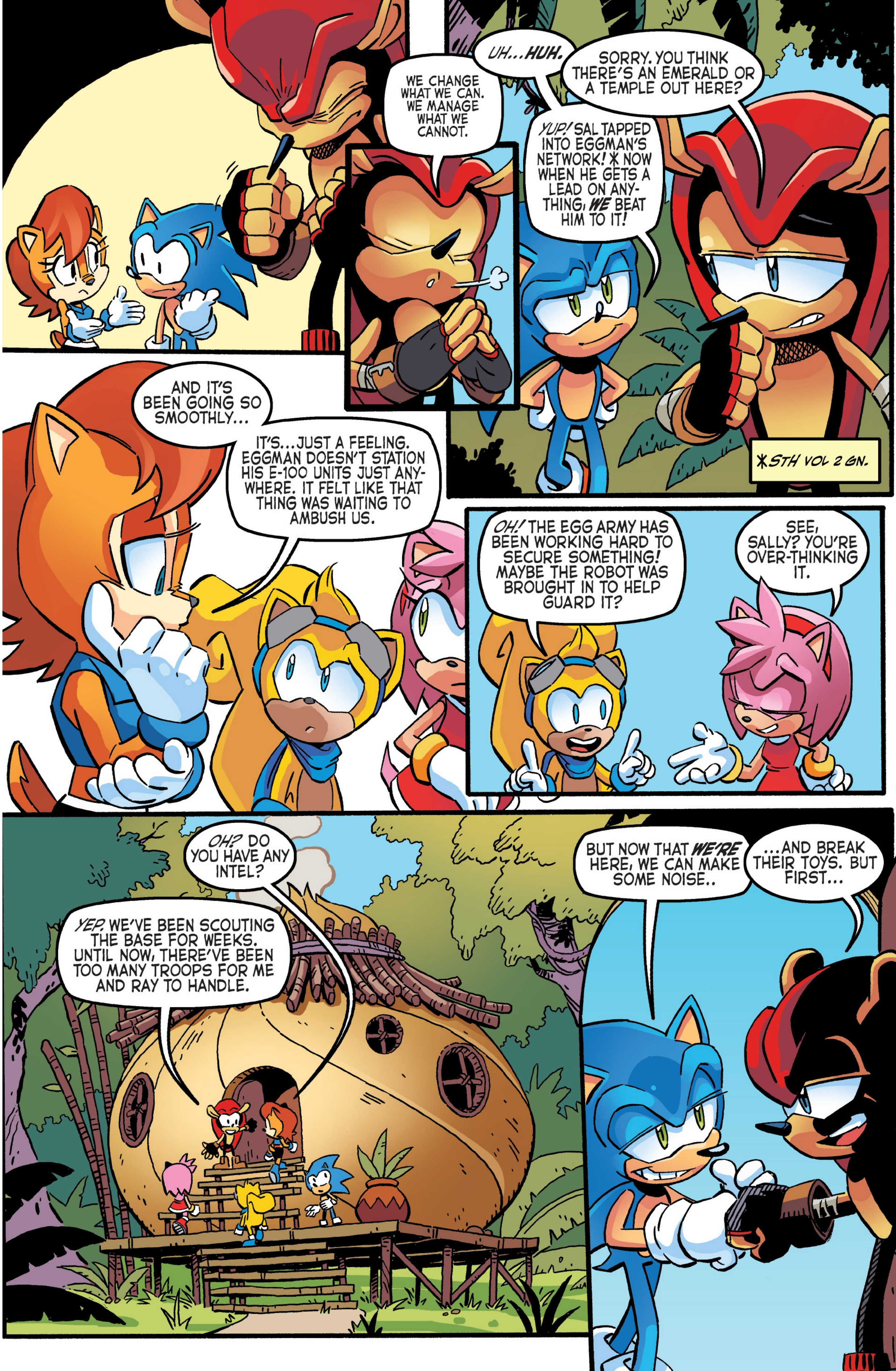

GOTTA HAND IT TO THE DOC--HIS E-100 BOTS ALWAYS GIVE ME A WORKOUT...*
*SEE SONIC ADVENTURE--THE GAME & STH VOL 1 GN.
...BUT I'VE NEVER TECHNICALLY *LOST* TO ONE YET. AND I DON'T PLAN ON CHANGING THAT!
SKYAM
BLAM!
YOW!
...LUCKY SHOT, JERK...

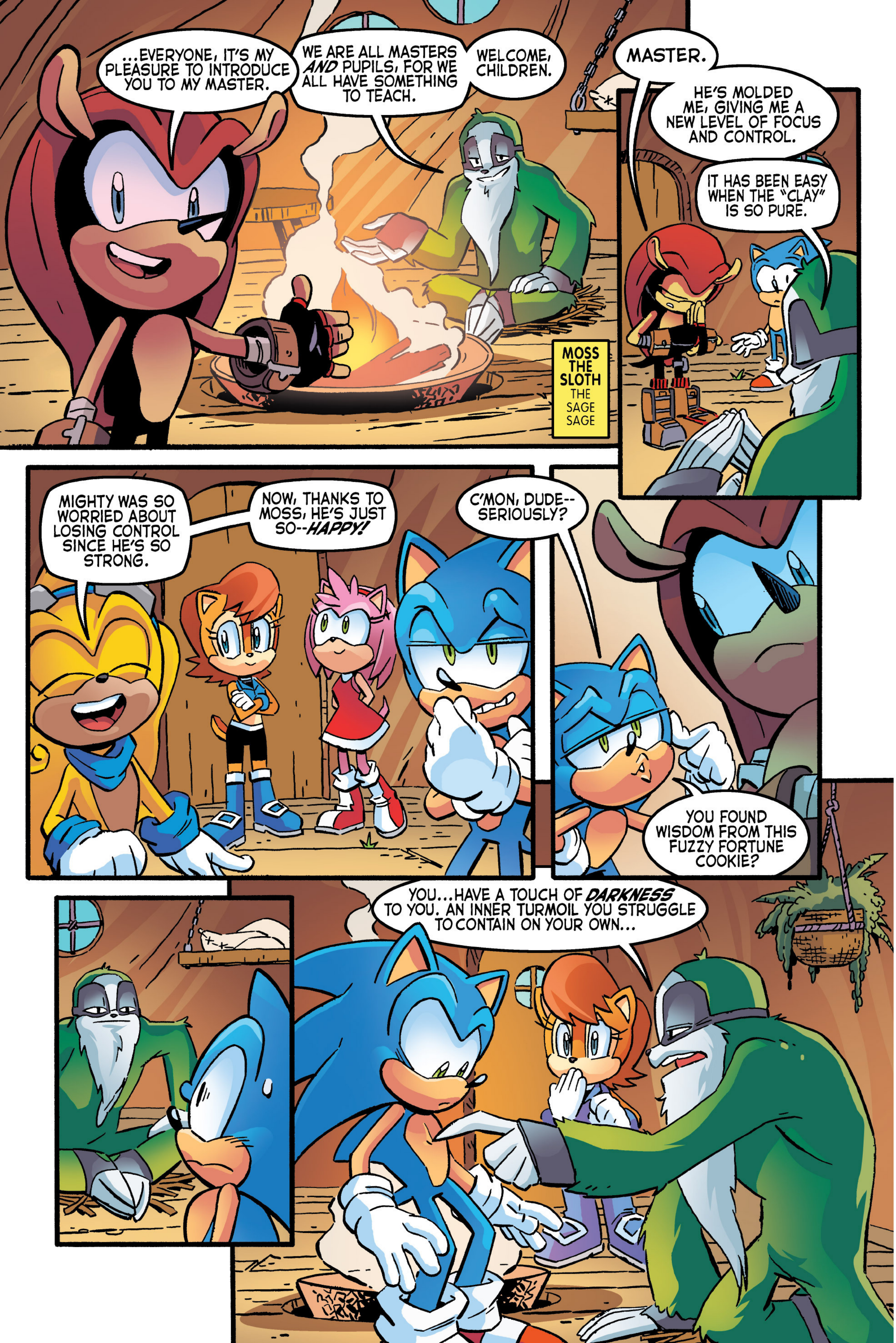

GOTCHA!
WHA--*OH*, ***AWESOME!***
SKYAM!
SKYAM!
THANKS FOR THE SAVE, RAY!
SKYAM!
EEP! SURE THING!
RAY THE FLYING SQUIRREL YOUNG FLYER
SLAM!
MIGHTY THE NAME SAYS IT ALL!

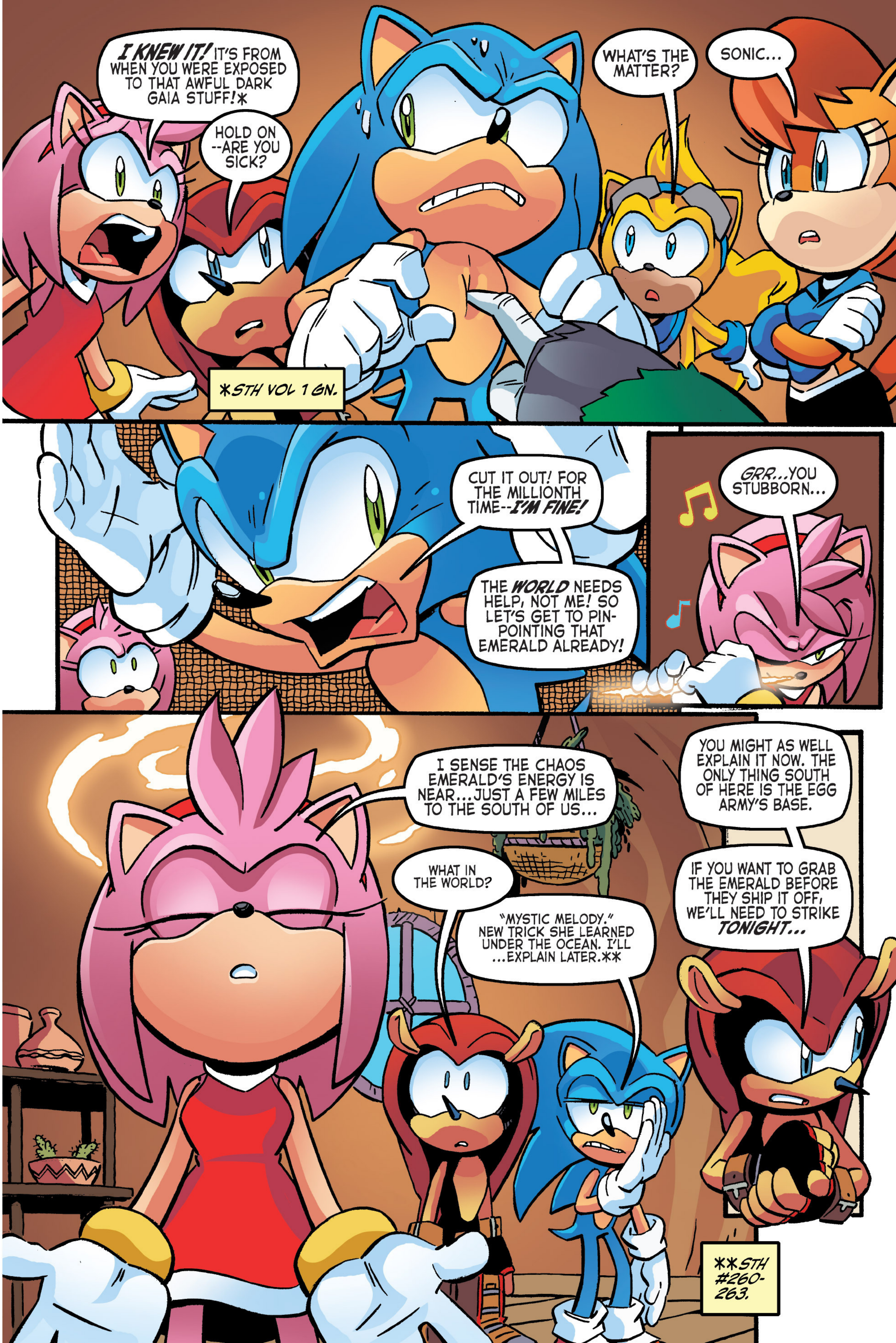

AT THE NEAREST EGG ARMY BASE...
E-113 XI OFFLINE
WHAT HAPPENED ?!
≥GULP!≤ UM...WELL...XI REPORTED IT WAS CLOSING IN ON SONIC. AND THEN... IT WENT OFFLINE.
I--I CAN SEND A RECOVERY TEAM TO...
UNACCEPTABLE!
LORD EGGMAN ENTRUSTED ONE OF HIS PRIZED SUPER-BADNIKS TO US! TO LOSE IT SO QUICKLY IS A TRUE DISGRACE!
E-EGG BOSS THUNDERBOLT, MA'AM! PREPARATIONS ARE COMPLETE FOR YOUR PLAN!
LORD EGGMAN'S PLAN! WE SIMPLY HAVE THE PLEASURE OF MAKING IT HAPPEN!
SOON, WE WILL HAVE THE DISTINCTION OF BEING THE EGG ARMY UNIT THAT *DESTROYED* SONIC THE HEDGEHOG.


MEANWHILE...
LONG TIME, NO SEE, MIGHTY!
WHY IS IT WHENEVER WE MEET UP, YOU'RE ALWAYS IN SOME KIND OF TROUBLE?
ME? YOU'RE THE ONE WHO--
SONIC?! ARE YOU ALL RIGHT?!
IT'S ALL GOOD, LADIES. MY BOYS MIGHTY AND RAY CAME OUT OF NOWHERE TO LEND A HAND!
GREETINGS, YOUR HIGHNESS. WE WERE IN THE AREA, HEARD THE FIGHTING, AND CAME TO HELP.
NO NEED FOR FORMALITIES, MIGHTY. AS FAR AS I'M CONCERNED, YOU AND RAY ARE HONORARY FREEDOM FIGHTERS.
THANKS, YOUR HIGH--SALLY. THAT MEANS A LOT.
I *TOLD* YOU I WANTED A SHOT AT THE ROBOT!
MIGHTY TOTALLED IT, NOT ME!
AND *YOU* HAD ME WORRIED SICK! WHAT WOULD I DO IF THAT THING TOOK YOUR HEAD OFF?!
IT LOOKS LIKE THAT ROBOT GAVE YOU TROUBLE. OUR CAMP'S NOT FAR-- CHILL OUT FOR A BIT, *OKAY?*


NO CAN DO! WE APPRECIATE THE HELP, BUT WE'RE--
TRYING TO SAVE THE WORLD?
...YOU TAKING PSYCHIC LESSONS FROM SILVER?
HAHA, WHO?
NO, MAN. YOU'RE ALWAYS ON THE MOVE, BUT IF SALLY'S HERE, IT MEANS YOU ACTUALLY HAVE A *PURPOSE.*
YOU'RE TOO KIND.
WE'RE HUNTING DOWN THE CHAOS EMERALD AND ANCIENT SITES CALLED "GAIA TEMPLES."
TOGETHER, THEIR POWER ***SHOULD*** FIX THE WORLD.
UGH... WHEN THE WORLD BROKE APART, IT WAS TERRIFYING! ENTIRE CHUNKS OF THE JUNGLE JUST... ***FALLING*** INTO NOTHING...
ALL MY STRENGTH ...AND I COULDN'T DO ANYTHING...
MIGHTY, REMEMBER MASTER MOSS'S LESSONS.


WE CHANGE WHAT WE CAN. WE MANAGE WHAT WE CANNOT.
UH...HUH.
SORRY. YOU THINK THERE'S AN EMERALD OR A TEMPLE OUT HERE?
YUP! SAL TAPPED INTO EGGMAN'S NETWORK!* NOW WHEN HE GETS A LEAD ON ANYTHING, WE BEAT HIM TO IT!
*STH VOL 2 GN.
AND IT'S BEEN GOING SO SMOOTHLY...
IT'S...JUST A FEELING. EGGMAN DOESN'T STATION HIS E-100 UNITS JUST ANYWHERE. IT FELT LIKE THAT THING WAS WAITING TO AMBUSH US.
OH! THE EGG ARMY HAS BEEN WORKING HARD TO SECURE SOMETHING! MAYBE THE ROBOT WAS BROUGHT IN TO HELP GUARD IT?
SEE, SALLY? YOU'RE OVER-THINKING IT.
OH? DO YOU HAVE ANY INTEL?
YEP. WE'VE BEEN SCOUTING THE BASE FOR WEEKS. UNTIL NOW, THERE'VE BEEN TOO MANY TROOPS FOR ME AND RAY TO HANDLE.
BUT NOW THAT WE'RE HERE, WE CAN MAKE SOME NOISE..
...AND BREAK THEIR TOYS. BUT FIRST...


...EVERYONE, IT'S MY PLEASURE TO INTRODUCE YOU TO MY MASTER.
WE ARE ALL MASTERS *AND* PUPILS, FOR WE ALL HAVE SOMETHING TO TEACH.
WELCOME, CHILDREN.
MOSS THE SLOTH THE SAGE SAGE
MASTER.
HE'S MOLDED ME, GIVING ME A NEW LEVEL OF FOCUS AND CONTROL.
IT HAS BEEN EASY WHEN THE "CLAY" IS SO PURE.
MIGHTY WAS SO WORRIED ABOUT LOSING CONTROL SINCE HE'S SO STRONG.
NOW, THANKS TO MOSS, HE'S JUST SO--*HAPPY!*
C'MON, DUDE--SERIOUSLY?
YOU FOUND WISDOM FROM THIS FUZZY FORTUNE COOKIE?
YOU...HAVE A TOUCH OF *DARKNESS* TO YOU. AN INNER TURMOIL YOU STRUGGLE TO CONTAIN ON YOUR OWN...


I KNEW IT! IT'S FROM WHEN YOU WERE EXPOSED TO THAT AWFUL DARK GAIA STUFF!*
HOLD ON --ARE YOU SICK?
WHAT'S THE MATTER?
SONIC...
*STH VOL 1 GN.
CUT IT OUT! FOR THE MILLIONTH TIME--I'M FINE!
THE WORLD NEEDS HELP, NOT ME! SO LET'S GET TO PIN-POINTING THAT EMERALD ALREADY!
GRR...YOU STUBBORN...
I SENSE THE CHAOS EMERALD'S ENERGY IS NEAR...JUST A FEW MILES TO THE SOUTH OF US...
YOU MIGHT AS WELL EXPLAIN IT NOW. THE ONLY THING SOUTH OF HERE IS THE EGG ARMY'S BASE.
WHAT IN THE WORLD?
"MYSTIC MELODY." NEW TRICK SHE LEARNED UNDER THE OCEAN. I'LL ...EXPLAIN LATER.**
IF YOU WANT TO GRAB THE EMERALD BEFORE THEY SHIP IT OFF, WE'LL NEED TO STRIKE TONIGHT...
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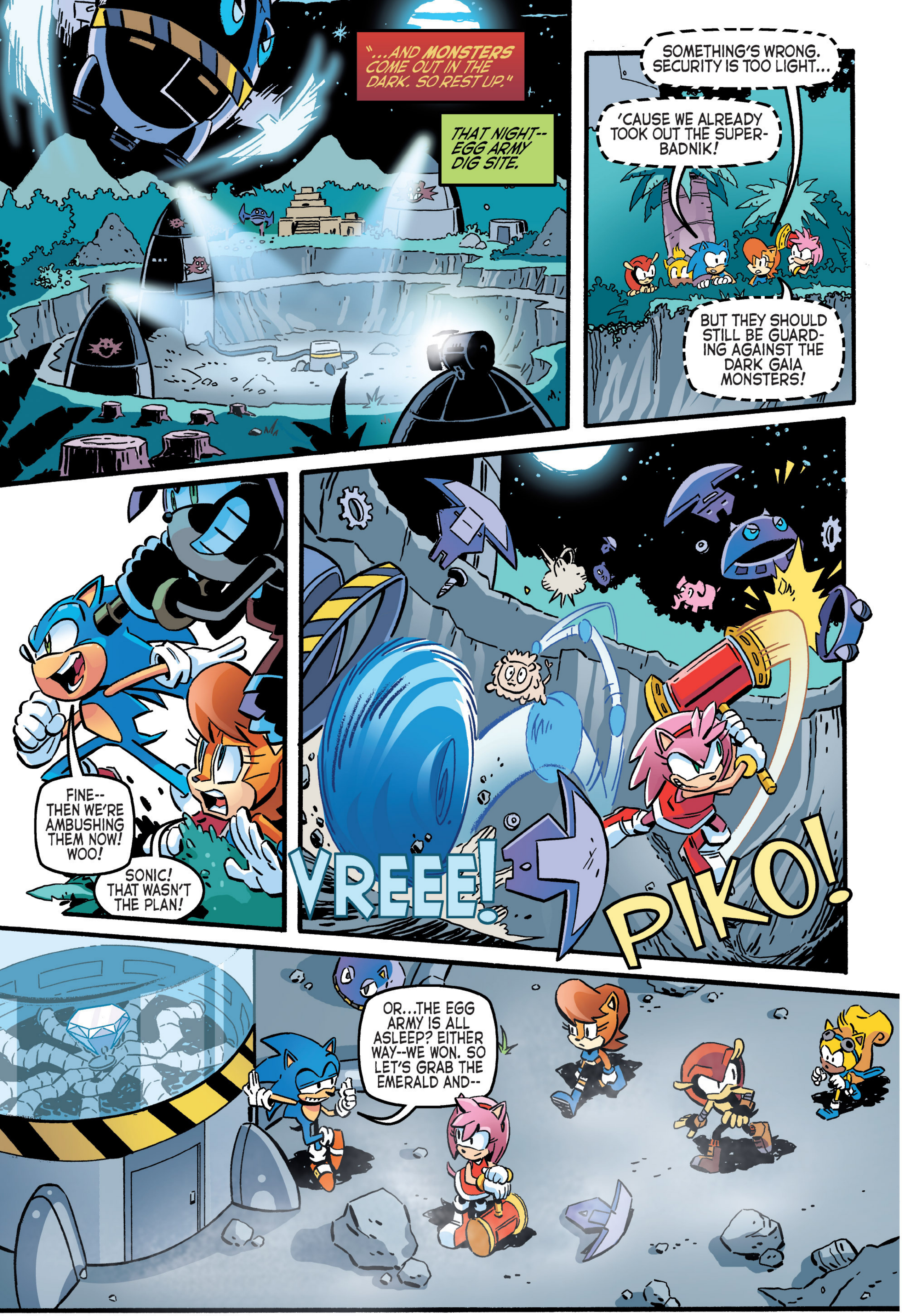
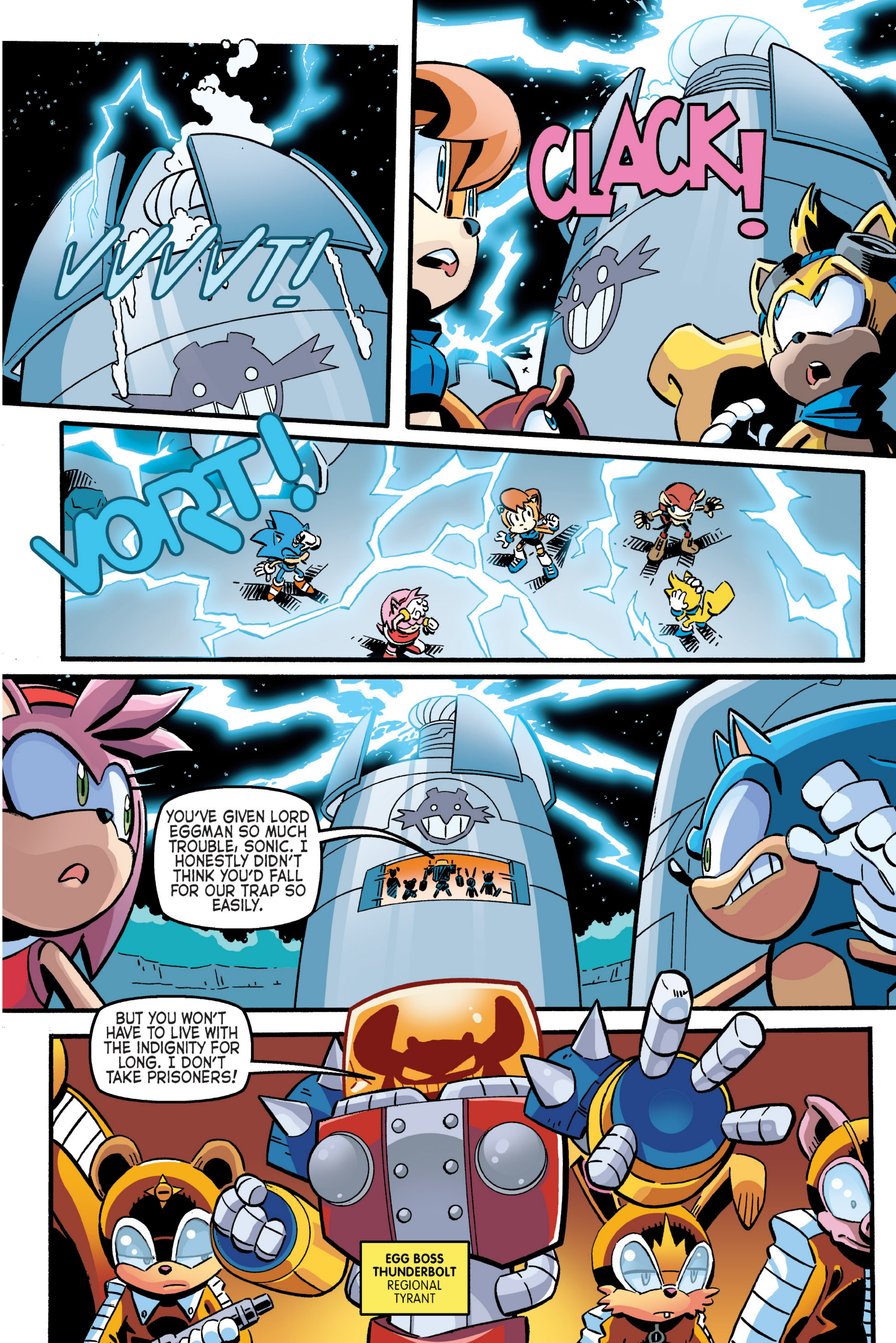
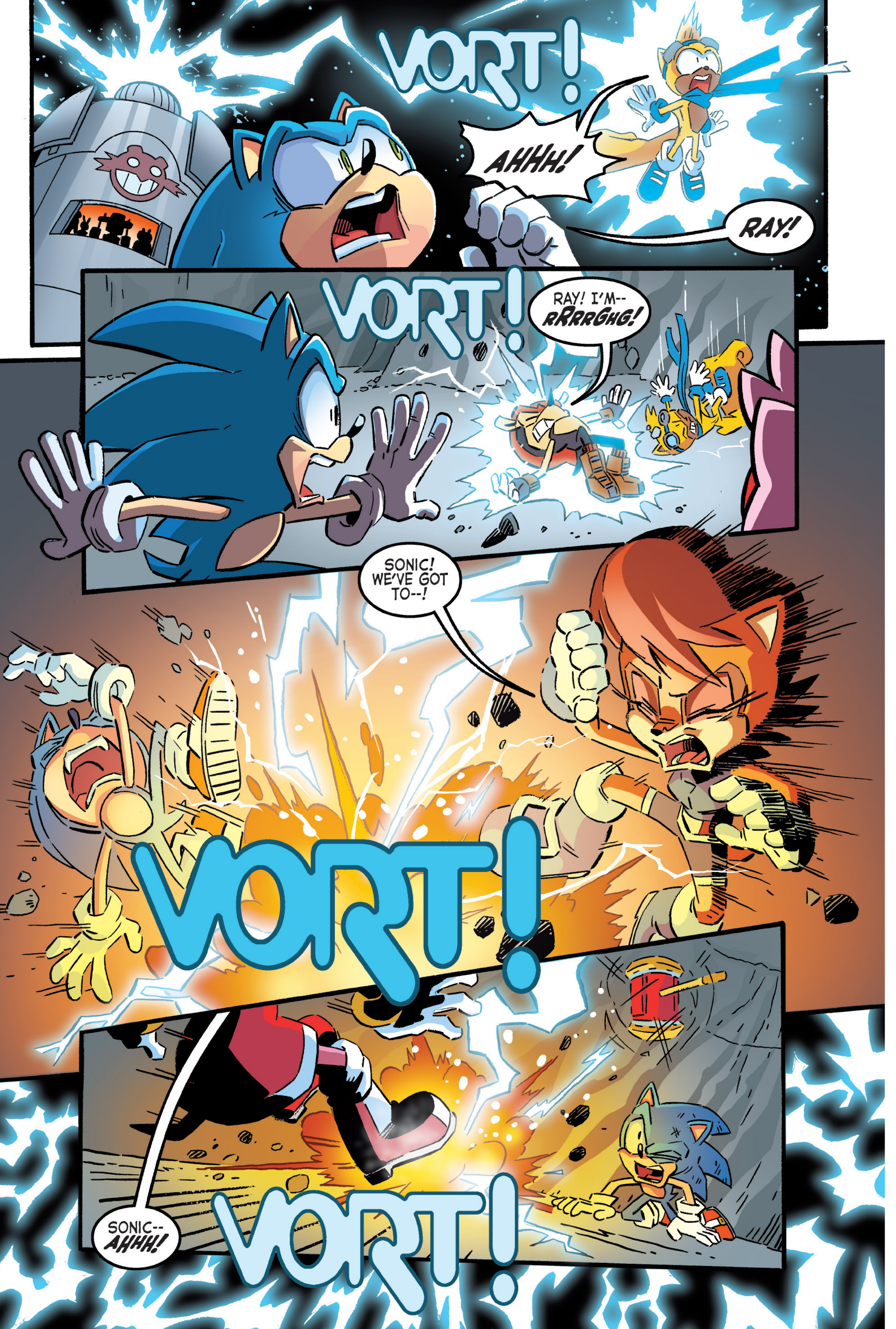
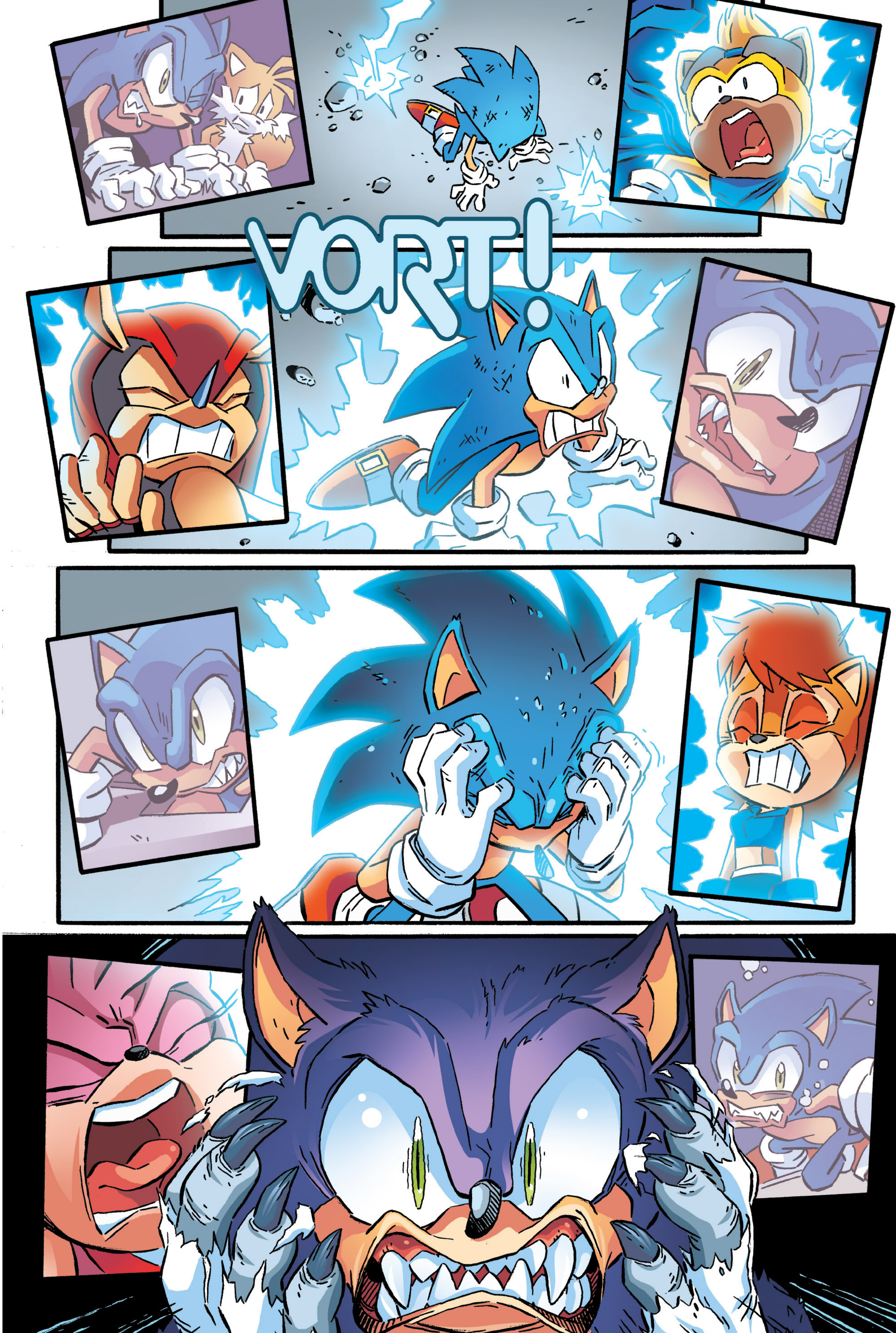
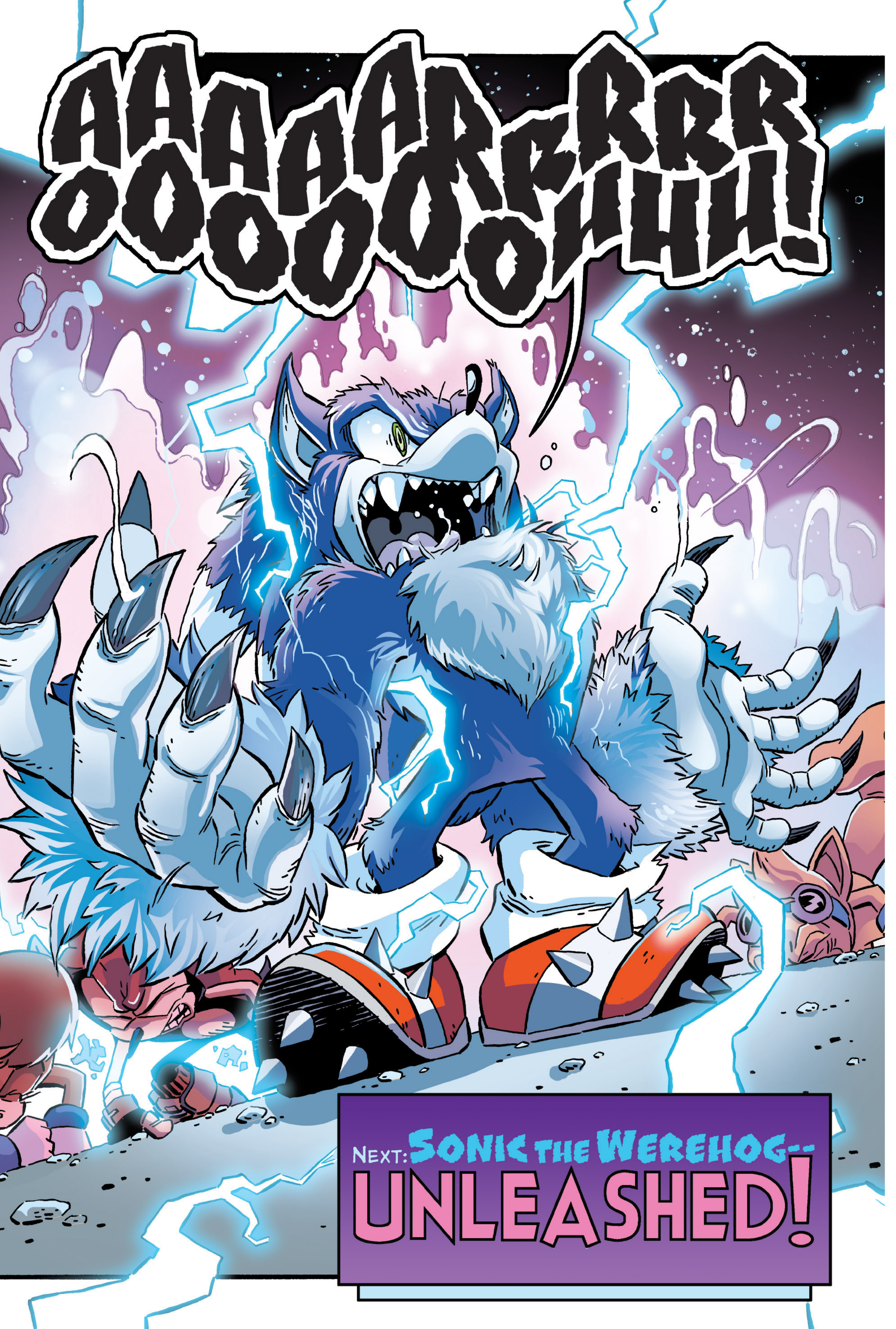

"...AND MONSTERS COME OUT IN THE DARK. SO REST UP."
THAT NIGHT-- EGG ARMY DIG SITE.
SOMETHING'S WRONG. SECURITY IS TOO LIGHT...
'CAUSE WE ALREADY TOOK OUT THE SUPER-BADNIK!
BUT THEY SHOULD STILL BE GUARDING AGAINST THE DARK GAIA MONSTERS!
FINE-- THEN WE'RE AMBUSHING THEM NOW! WOO!
SONIC! THAT WASN'T THE PLAN!
VREEE!
PIKO!
OR...THE EGG ARMY IS ALL ASLEEP? EITHER WAY--WE WON. SO LET'S GRAB THE EMERALD AND--


VVVVT!
CLACK!
VORT!
YOU'VE GIVEN LORD EGGMAN SO MUCH TROUBLE, SONIC. I HONESTLY DIDN'T THINK YOU'D FALL FOR OUR TRAP SO EASILY.
BUT YOU WON'T HAVE TO LIVE WITH THE INDIGNITY FOR LONG. I DON'T TAKE PRISONERS!
EGG BOSS THUNDERBOLT
REGIONAL TYRANT


VORT!
AHHH!
RAY!
VORT!
RAY! I'M-- RRRRGHG!
SONIC! WE'VE GOT TO--!
VORT!
SONIC-- AHHH!
VORT!


VORT!


AAAAARRRRR
OOOOOOHHH!
NEXT: SONIC THE WEREHOG--
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SONIC
SUPER-SIZED
SUPER DIGEST

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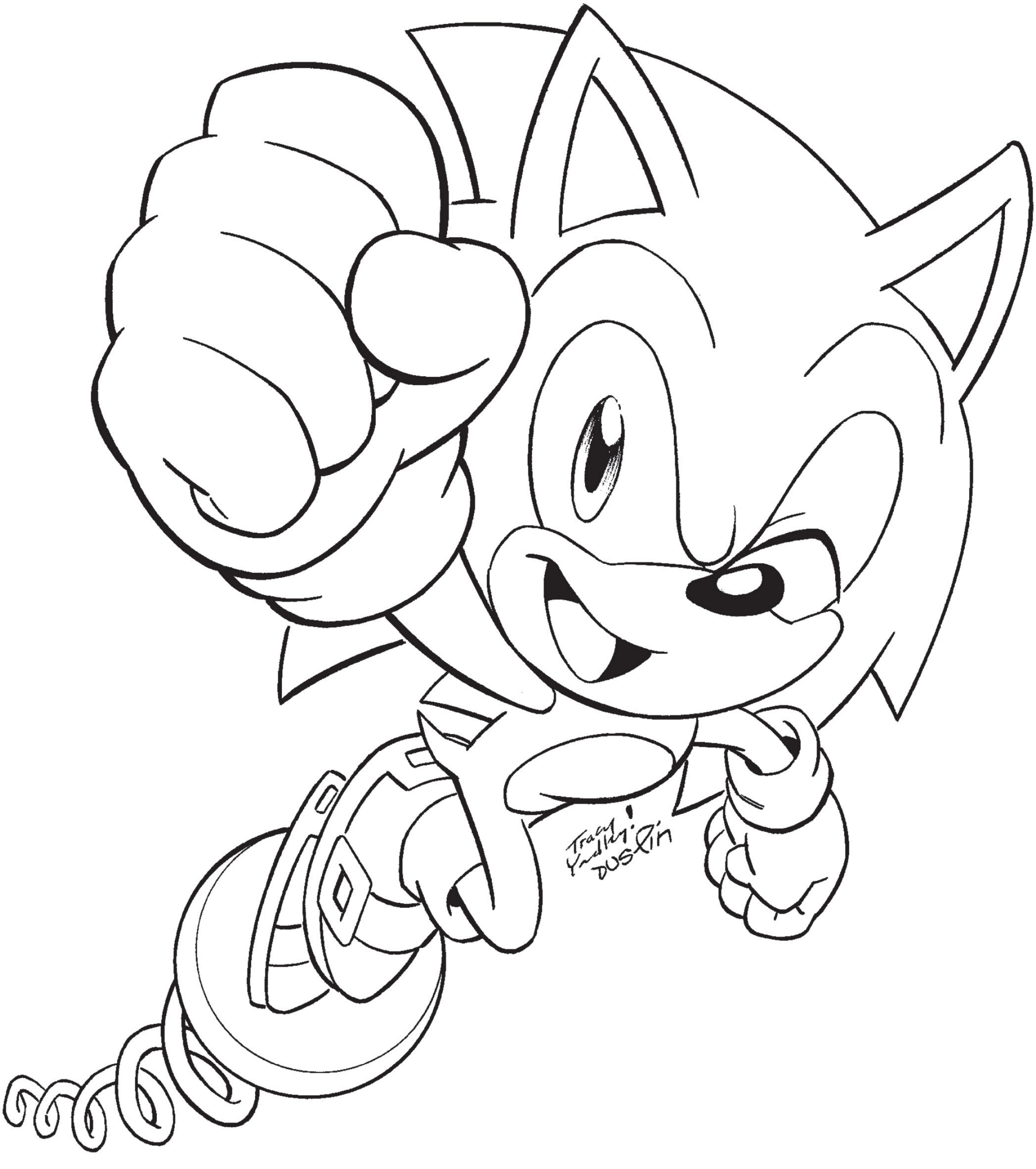
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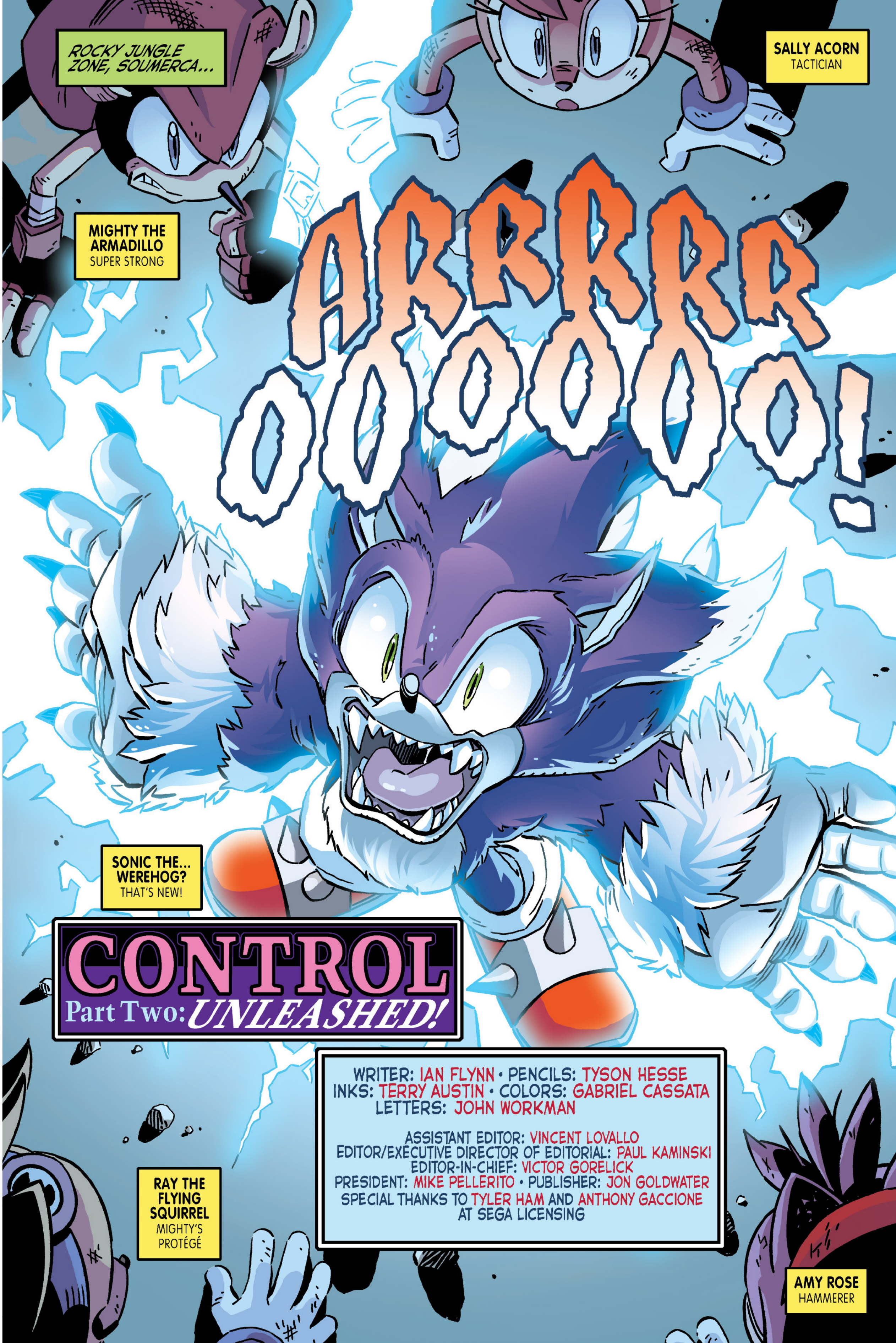
Evans


ROCKY JUNGLE ZONE, SOUMERCA...
SALLY ACORN
TACTICIAN
MIGHTY THE ARMADILLO
SUPER STRONG
ARRRRROOOOOO!
SONIC THE... WEREHOG?
THAT'S NEW!
RAY THE FLYING SQUIRREL
MIGHTY'S PROTÉGÉ
AMY ROSE
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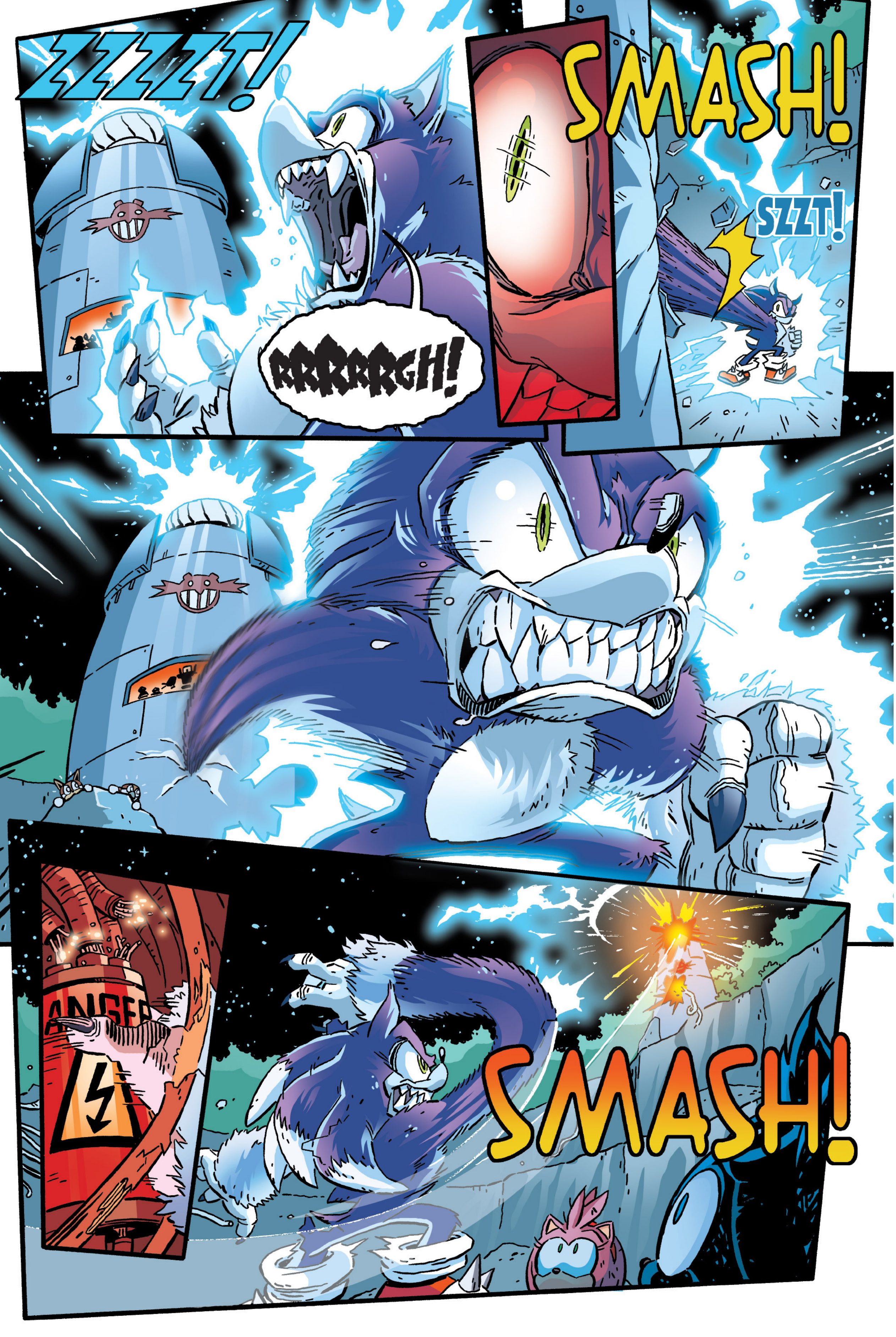
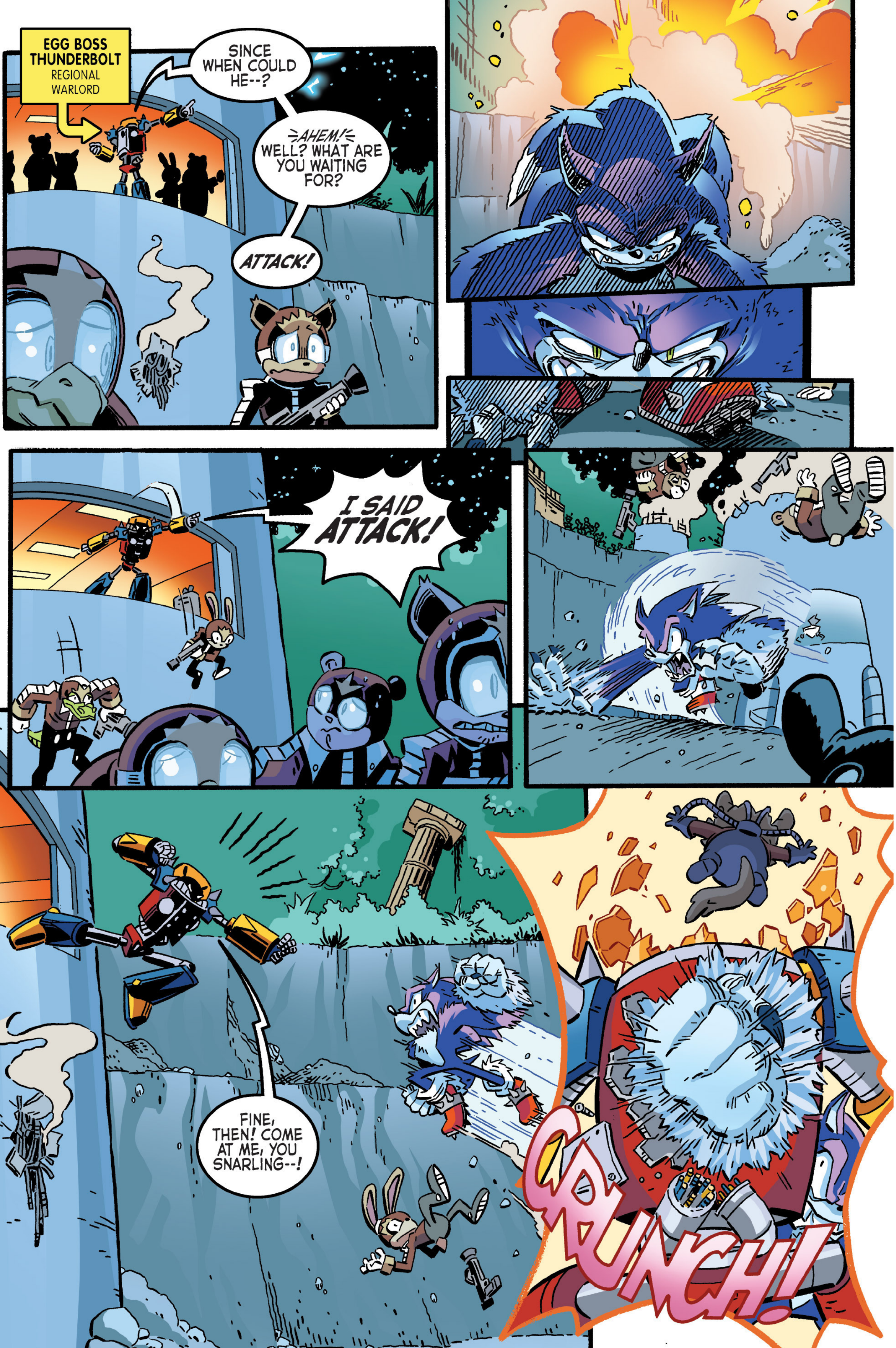
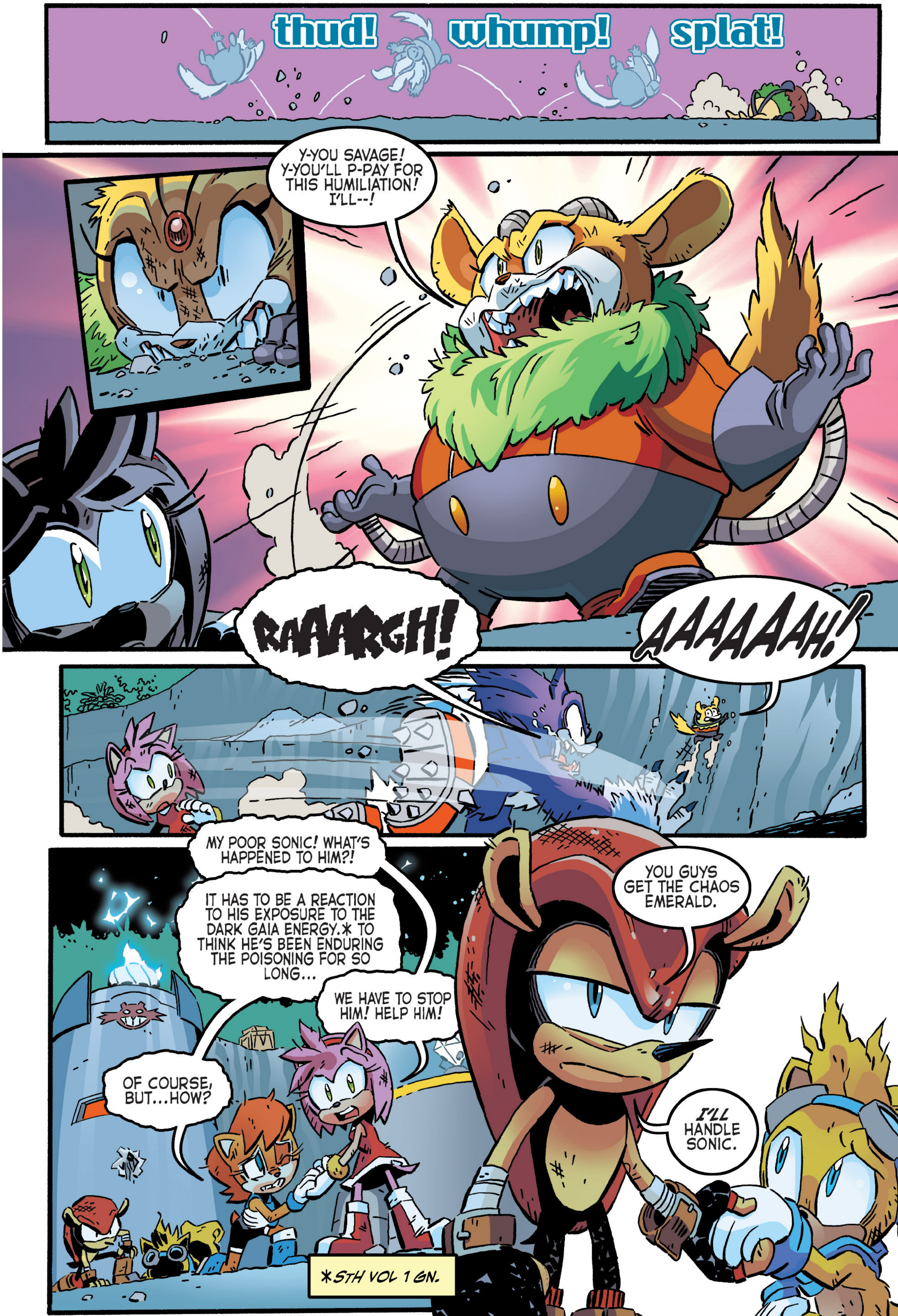
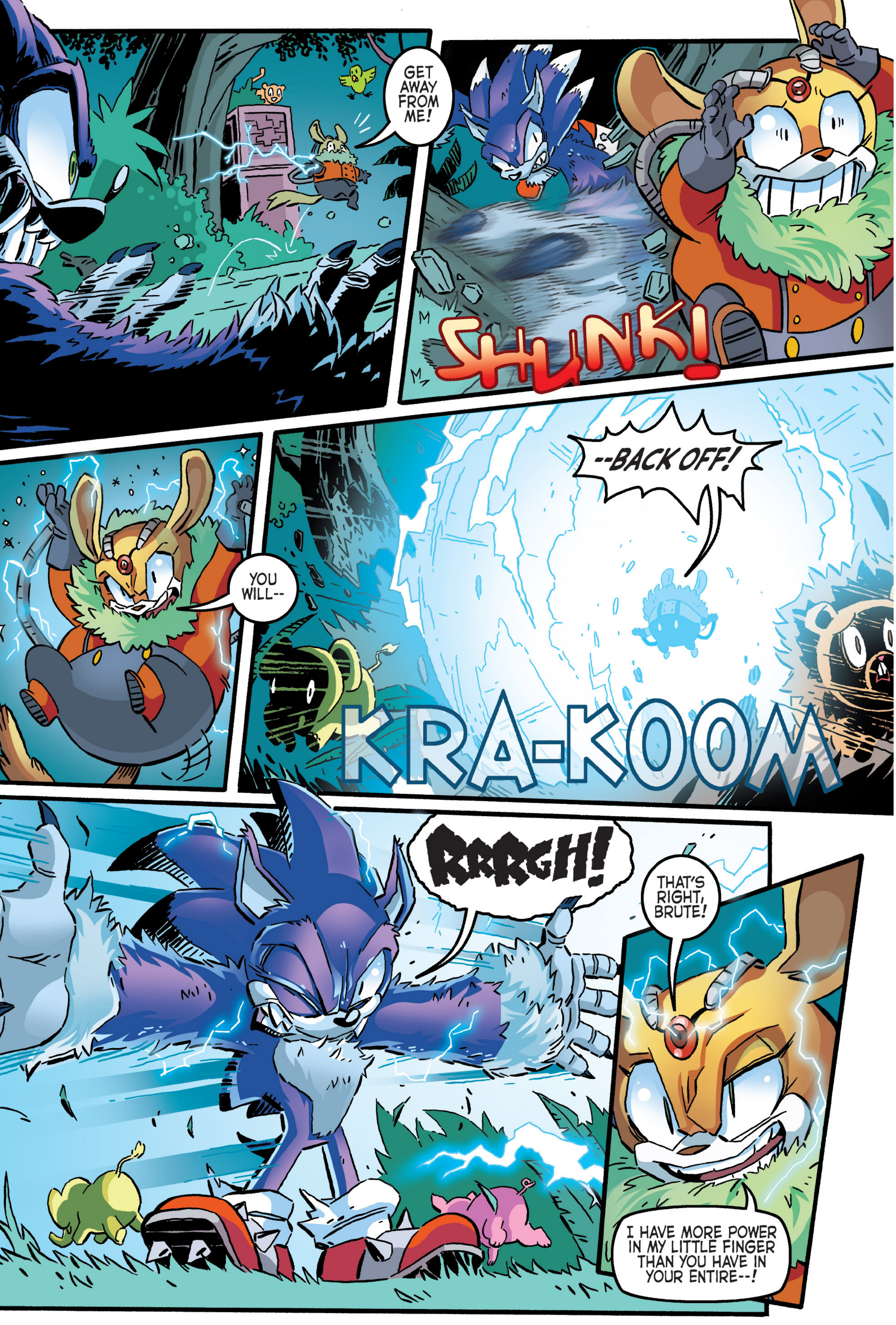
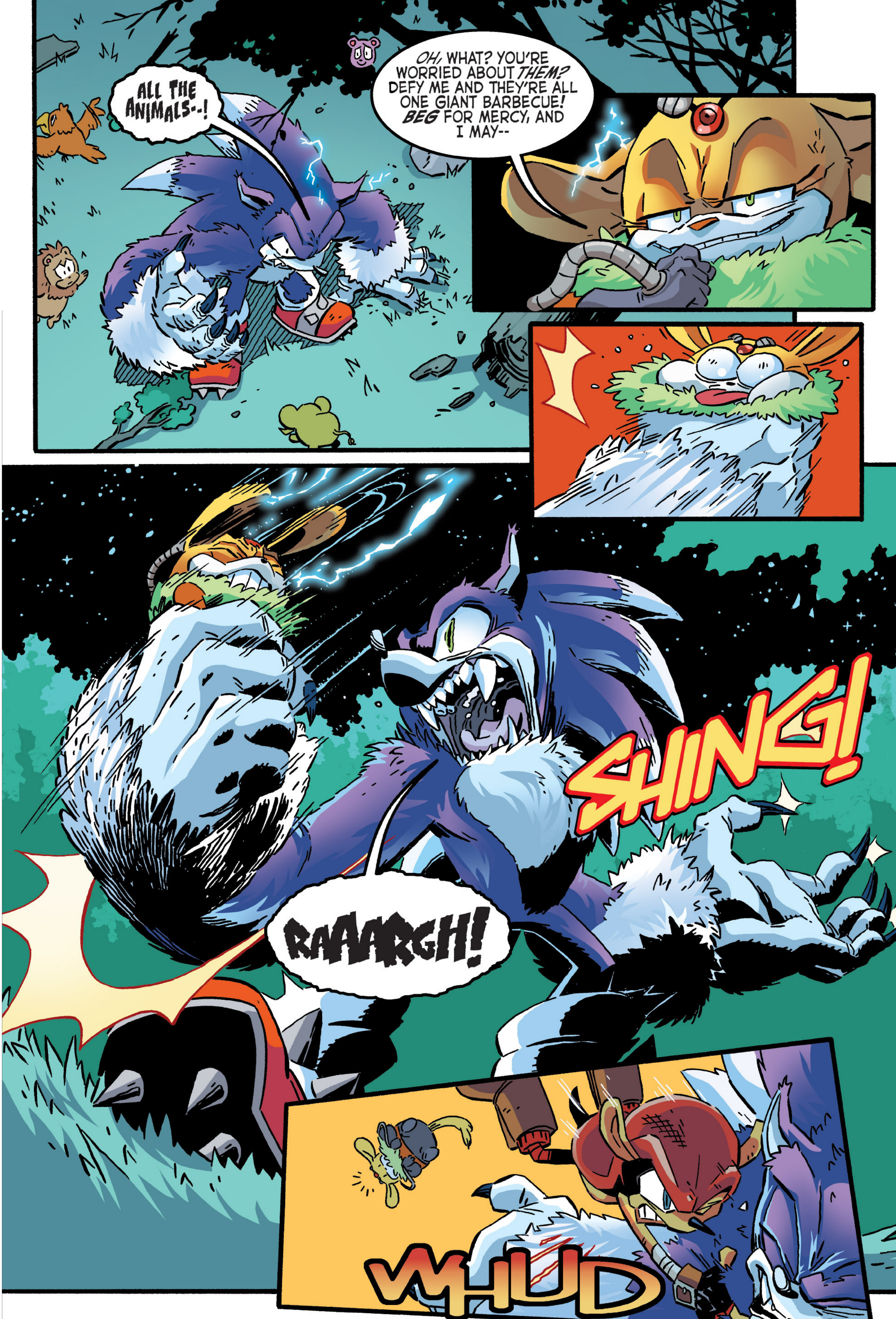
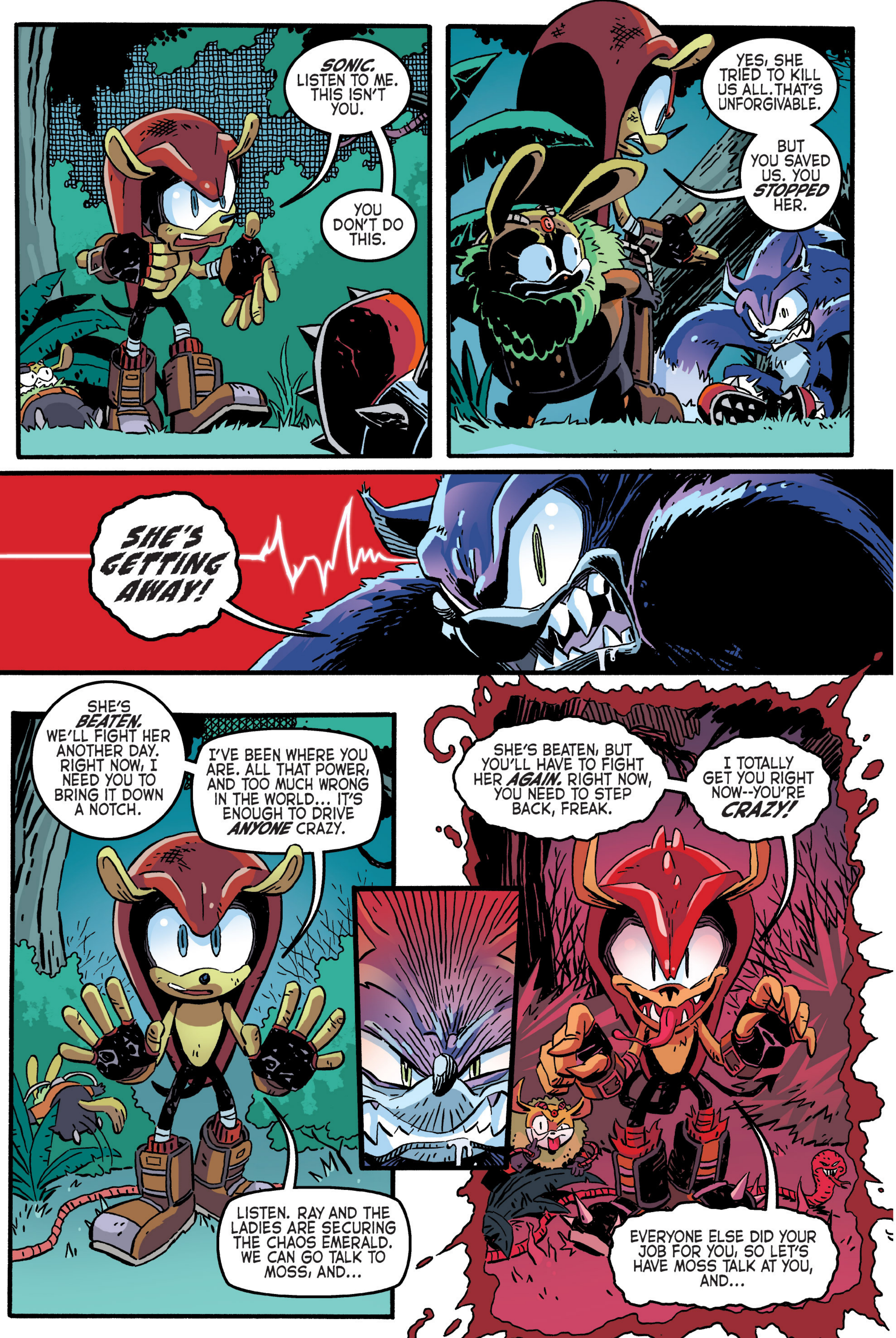

ZZZZZT!
RRRRRRGH!
SMASH!
SZZT!
ANGE
SMASH!

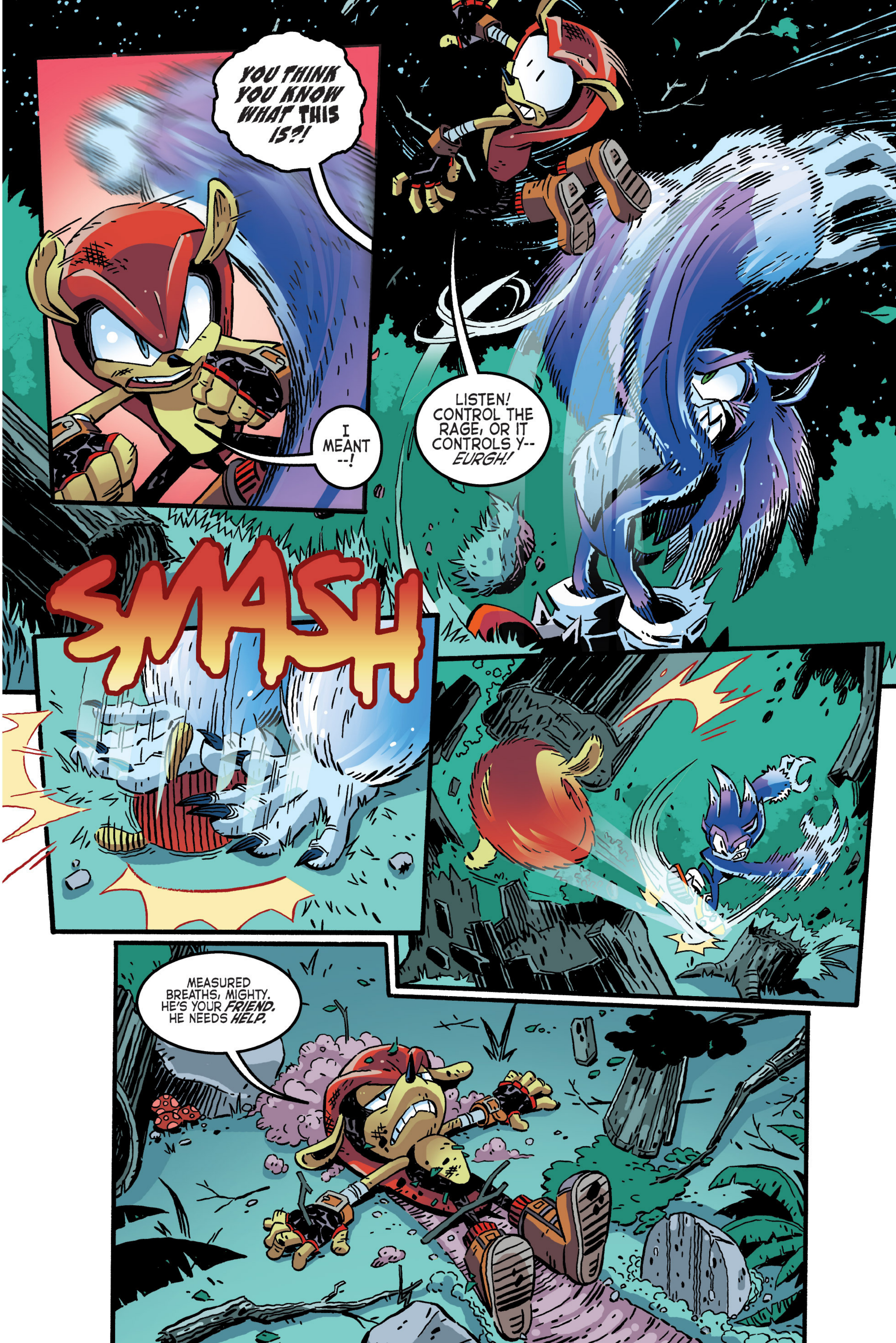

EGG BOSS THUNDERBOLT REGIONAL WARLORD
SINCE WHEN COULD HE--?
AHEM! WELL? WHAT ARE YOU WAITING FOR?
ATTACK!
I SAID ATTACK!
FINE, THEN! COME AT ME, YOU SNARLING--!
CRUNCH!

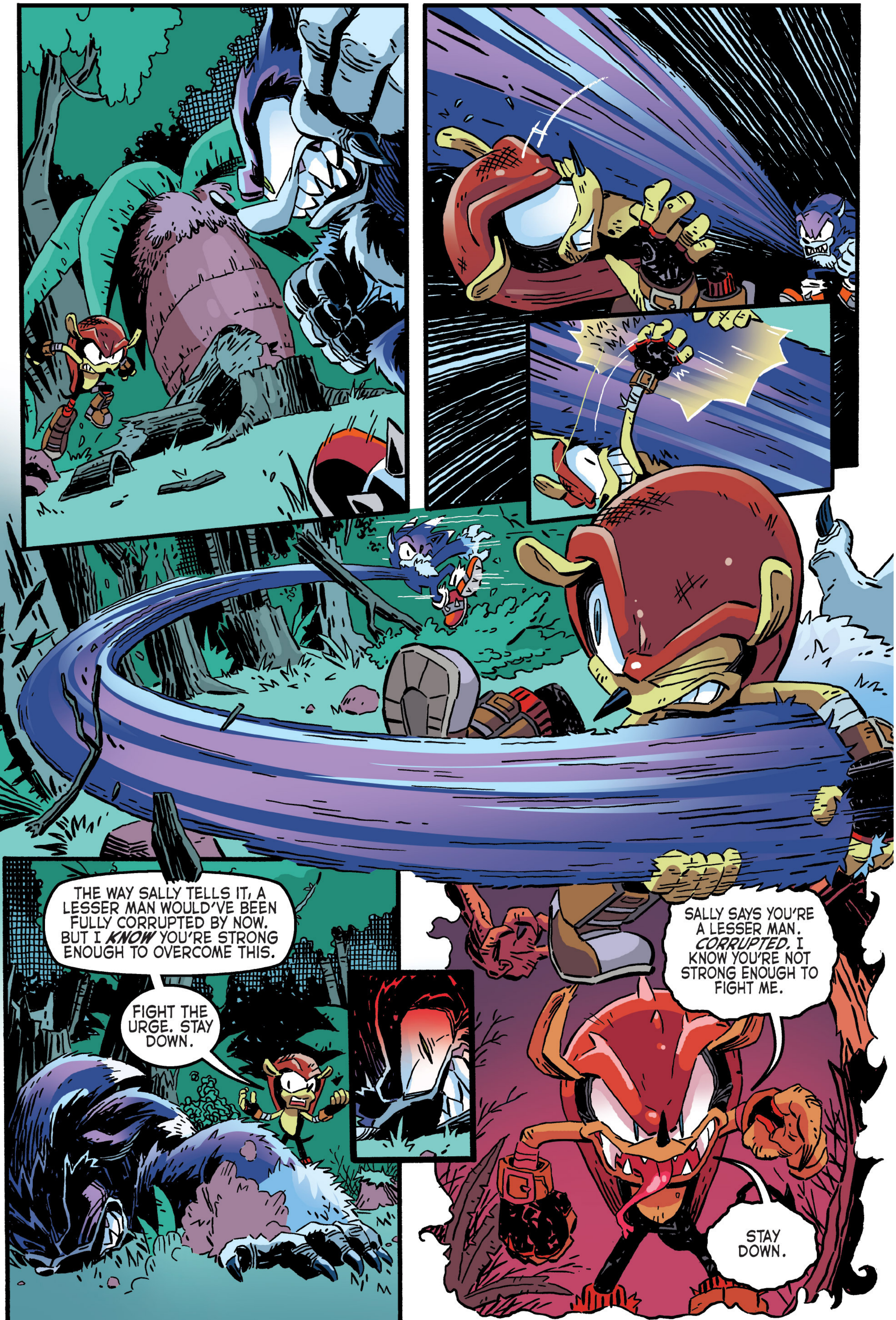

thud!
whump!
splat!
Y-YOU SAVAGE! Y-YOU'LL P-PAY FOR THIS HUMILIATION! I'LL--!
RAAARGH!
AAAAAAH!
MY POOR SONIC! WHAT'S HAPPENED TO HIM?!
IT HAS TO BE A REACTION TO HIS EXPOSURE TO THE DARK GAIA ENERGY.* TO THINK HE'S BEEN ENDURING THE POISONING FOR SO LONG...
WE HAVE TO STOP HIM! HELP HIM!
OF COURSE, BUT...HOW?
YOU GUYS GET THE CHAOS EMERALD.
I'LL HANDLE SONIC.
*STH VOL 1 GN.

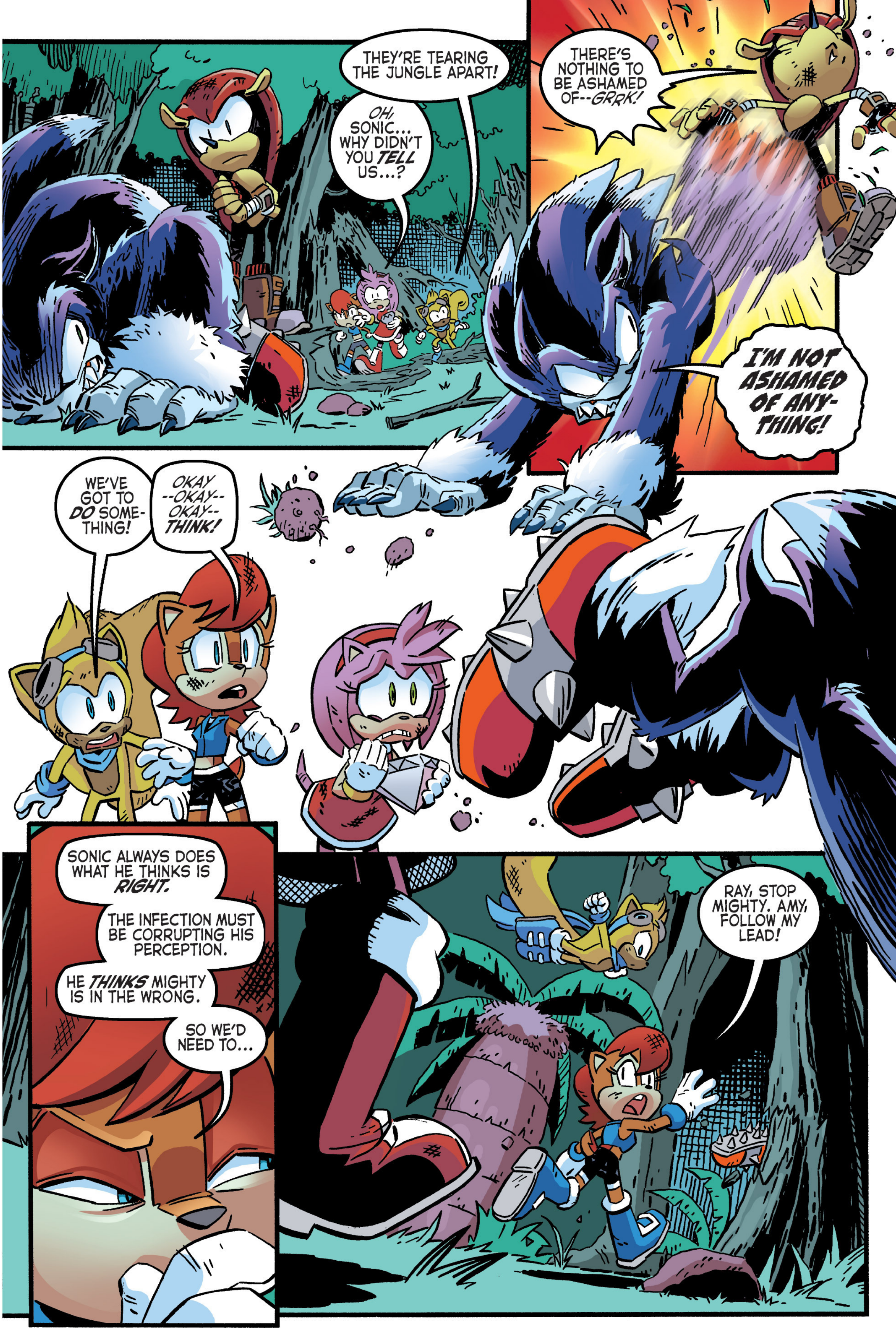

GET AWAY FROM ME!
SHUNK!
YOU WILL--
--BACK OFF!
KRA-KOOM
RRRGH!
THAT'S RIGHT, BRUTE!
I HAVE MORE POWER IN MY LITTLE FINGER THAN YOU HAVE IN YOUR ENTIRE--!

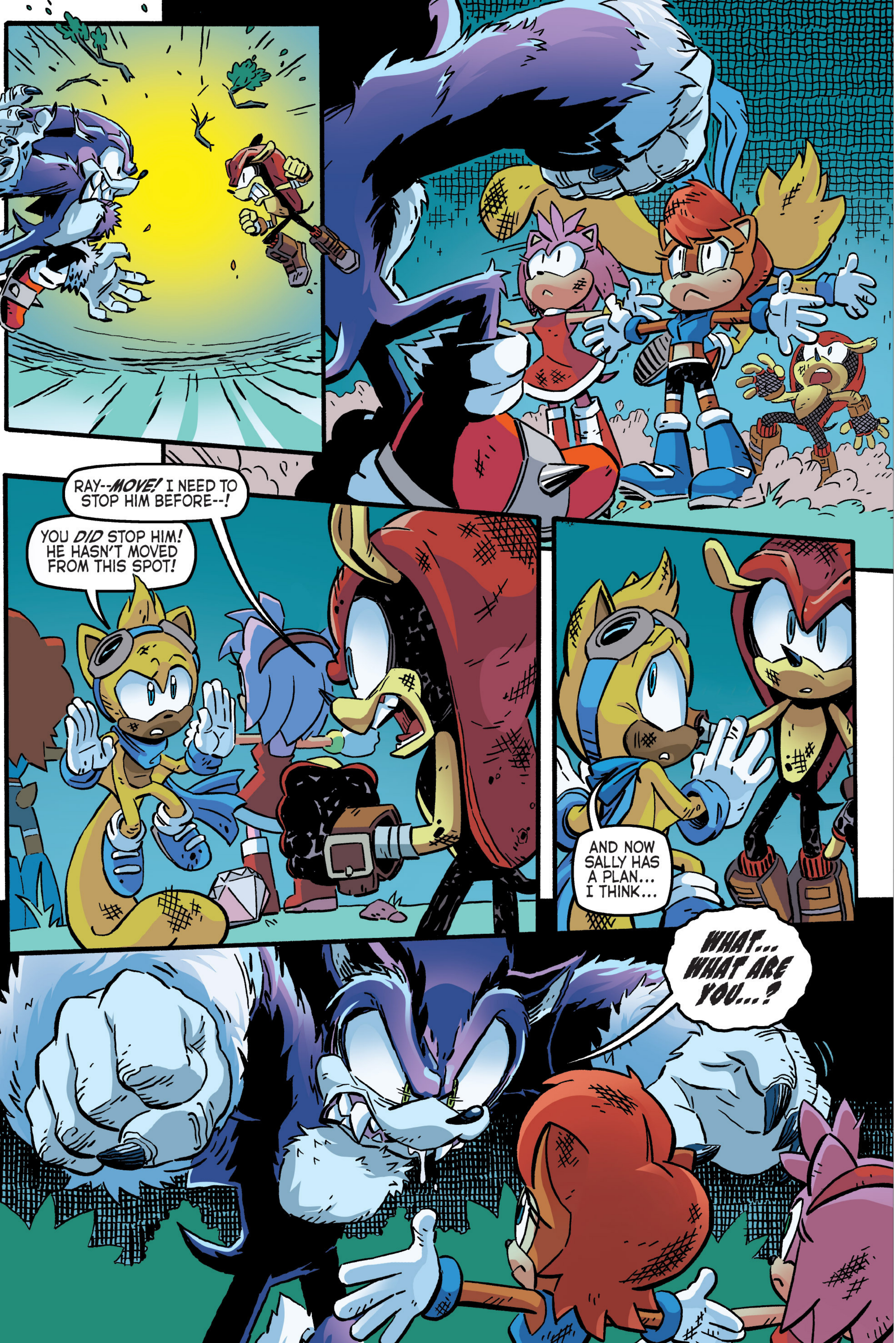

ALL THE ANIMALS--!
OH, WHAT? YOU'RE WORRIED ABOUT THEM? DEFY ME AND THEY'RE ALL ONE GIANT BARBECUE! BEG FOR MERCY, AND I MAY--
SHING!
RAAARGH!
WHUD

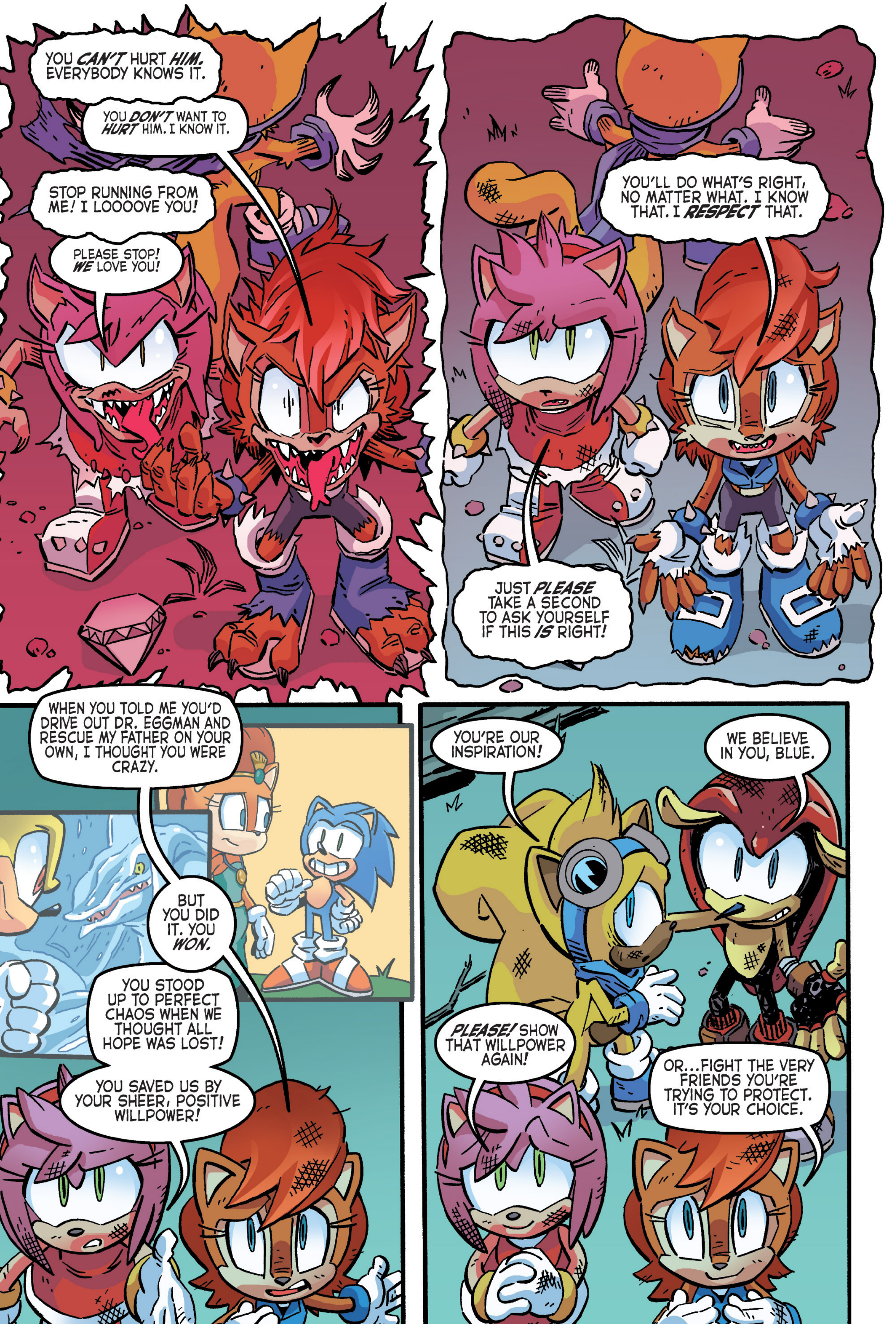

SONIC. LISTEN TO ME. THIS ISN'T YOU.
YOU DON'T DO THIS.
YES, SHE TRIED TO KILL US ALL. THAT'S UNFORGIVABLE.
BUT YOU SAVED US. YOU *STOPPED* HER.
SHE'S GETTING AWAY!
SHE'S *BEATEN.* WE'LL FIGHT HER ANOTHER DAY. RIGHT NOW, I NEED YOU TO BRING IT DOWN A NOTCH.
I'VE BEEN WHERE YOU ARE. ALL THAT POWER, AND TOO MUCH WRONG IN THE WORLD... IT'S ENOUGH TO DRIVE *ANYONE* CRAZY.
LISTEN. RAY AND THE LADIES ARE SECURING THE CHAOS EMERALD. WE CAN GO TALK TO MOSS, AND...
SHE'S BEATEN, BUT YOU'LL HAVE TO FIGHT HER *AGAIN.* RIGHT NOW, YOU NEED TO STEP BACK, FREAK.
I TOTALLY GET YOU RIGHT NOW--YOU'RE *CRAZY!*
EVERYONE ELSE DID YOUR JOB FOR YOU, SO LET'S HAVE MOSS TALK AT YOU, AND...

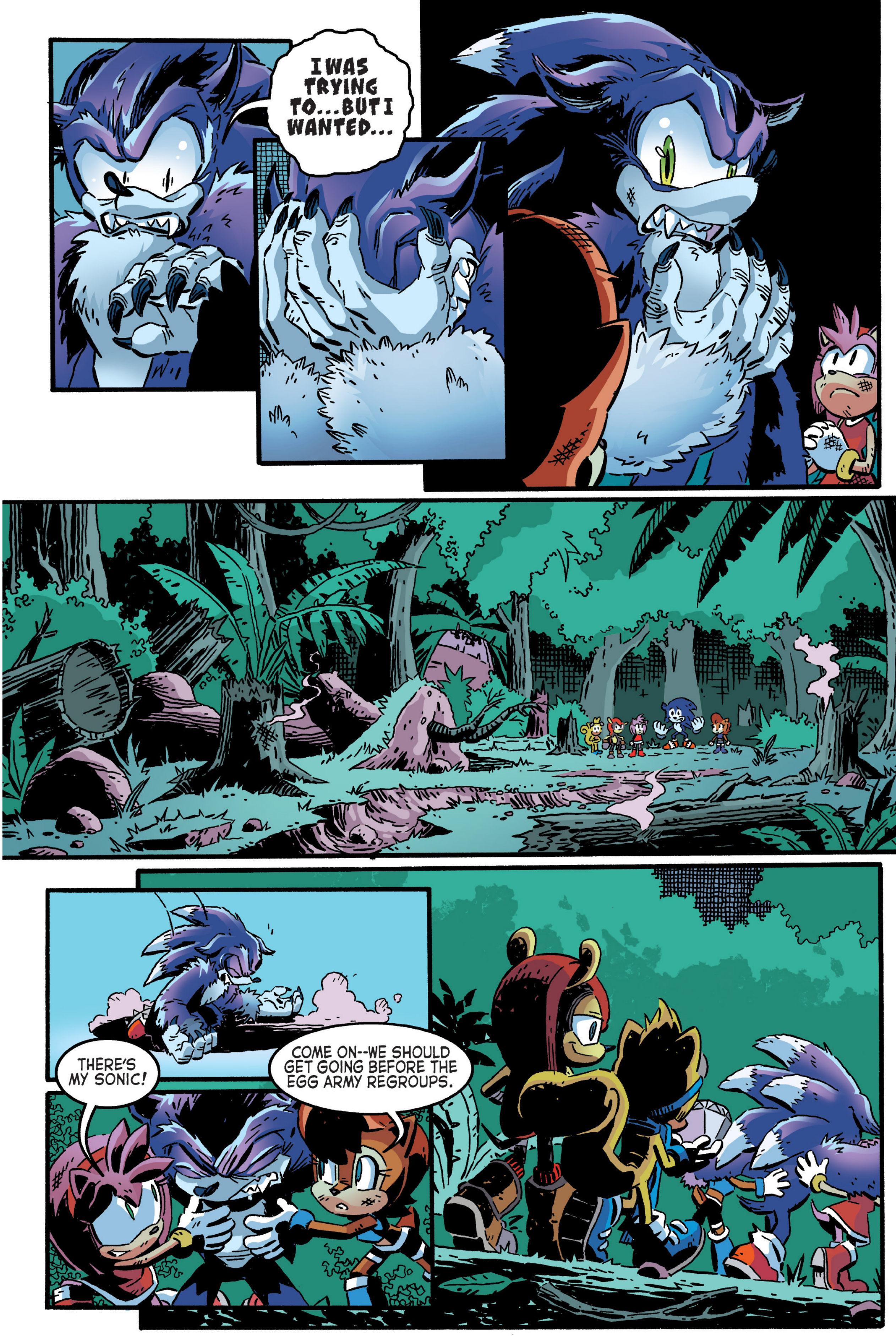

YOU THINK YOU KNOW WHAT THIS IS?!
I MEANT --!
LISTEN! CONTROL THE RAGE, OR IT CONTROLS Y-- *EURGH!*
SMASH
MEASURED BREATHS, MIGHTY. HE'S YOUR *FRIEND.* HE NEEDS *HELP.*

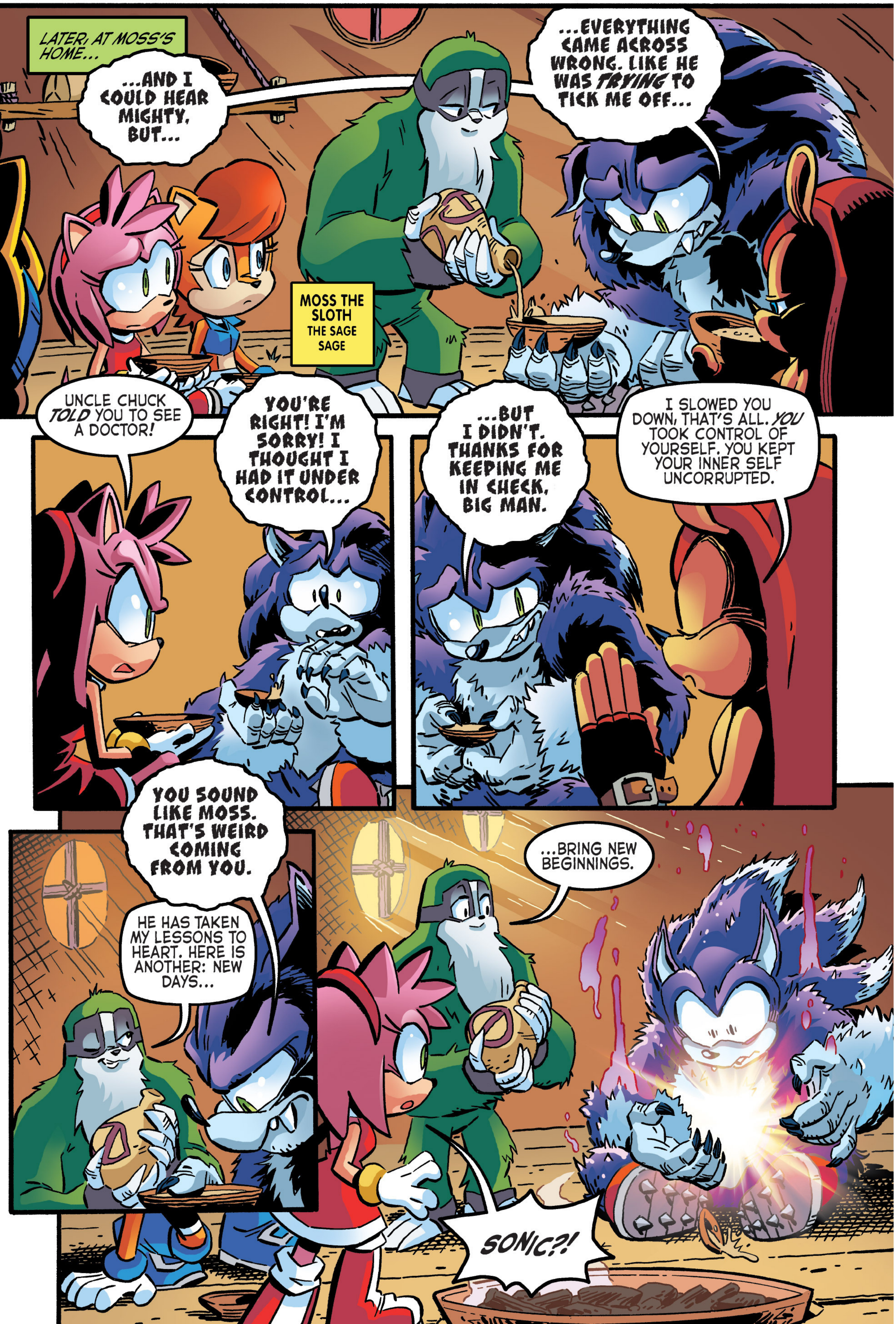

THE WAY SALLY TELLS IT, A LESSER MAN WOULD'VE BEEN FULLY CORRUPTED BY NOW. BUT I *KNOW* YOU'RE STRONG ENOUGH TO OVERCOME THIS.
FIGHT THE URGE. STAY DOWN.
SALLY SAYS YOU'RE A LESSER MAN. *CORRUPTED.* I KNOW YOU'RE NOT STRONG ENOUGH TO FIGHT ME.
STAY DOWN.


THEY'RE TEARING THE JUNGLE APART!
OH, SONIC... WHY DIDN'T YOU TELL US...?
THERE'S NOTHING TO BE ASHAMED OF--GRRK!
I'M NOT ASHAMED OF ANY-THING!
WE'VE GOT TO DO SOME-THING!
OKAY --OKAY-- OKAY-- THINK!
SONIC ALWAYS DOES WHAT HE THINKS IS RIGHT.
THE INFECTION MUST BE CORRUPTING HIS PERCEPTION.
HE THINKS MIGHTY IS IN THE WRONG.
SO WE'D NEED TO...
RAY, STOP MIGHTY. AMY, FOLLOW MY LEAD!


RAY--*MOVE!* I NEED TO STOP HIM BEFORE--!
YOU *DID* STOP HIM! HE HASN'T MOVED FROM THIS SPOT!
AND NOW SALLY HAS A PLAN... I THINK...
WHAT... WHAT ARE YOU...?


YOU *CAN'T* HURT *HIM.* EVERYBODY KNOWS IT.
YOU *DON'T* WANT TO *HURT* HIM. I KNOW IT.
STOP RUNNING FROM ME! I LOOOOVE YOU!
PLEASE STOP! *WE* LOVE YOU!
YOU'LL DO WHAT'S RIGHT, NO MATTER WHAT. I KNOW THAT. I *RESPECT* THAT.
JUST *PLEASE* TAKE A SECOND TO ASK YOURSELF IF THIS *IS* RIGHT!
WHEN YOU TOLD ME YOU'D DRIVE OUT DR. EGGMAN AND RESCUE MY FATHER ON YOUR OWN, I THOUGHT YOU WERE CRAZY.
BUT YOU DID IT. YOU *WON.*
YOU STOOD UP TO PERFECT CHAOS WHEN WE THOUGHT ALL HOPE WAS LOST!
YOU SAVED US BY YOUR SHEER, POSITIVE WILLPOWER!
YOU'RE OUR INSPIRATION!
WE BELIEVE IN YOU, BLUE.
PLEASE! SHOW THAT WILLPOWER AGAIN!
OR...FIGHT THE VERY FRIENDS YOU'RE TRYING TO PROTECT. IT'S YOUR CHOICE.


I WAS TRYING TO...BUT I WANTED...
THERE'S MY SONIC!
COME ON--WE SHOULD GET GOING BEFORE THE EGG ARMY REGROUPS.


LATER: AT MOSS'S HOME...
...AND I COULD HEAR MIGHTY, BUT...
...EVERYTHING CAME ACROSS WRONG. LIKE HE WAS *TRYING* TO TICK ME OFF...
MOSS THE SLOTH
THE SAGE SAGE
UNCLE CHUCK *TOLD* YOU TO SEE A DOCTOR!
YOU'RE RIGHT! I'M SORRY! I THOUGHT I HAD IT UNDER CONTROL...
...BUT I DIDN'T. THANKS FOR KEEPING ME IN CHECK, BIG MAN.
I SLOWED YOU DOWN, THAT'S ALL. *YOU* TOOK CONTROL OF YOURSELF. YOU KEPT YOUR INNER SELF UNCORRUPTED.
YOU SOUND LIKE MOSS. THAT'S WEIRD COMING FROM YOU.
HE HAS TAKEN MY LESSONS TO HEART. HERE IS ANOTHER: NEW DAYS...
...BRING NEW BEGINNINGS.
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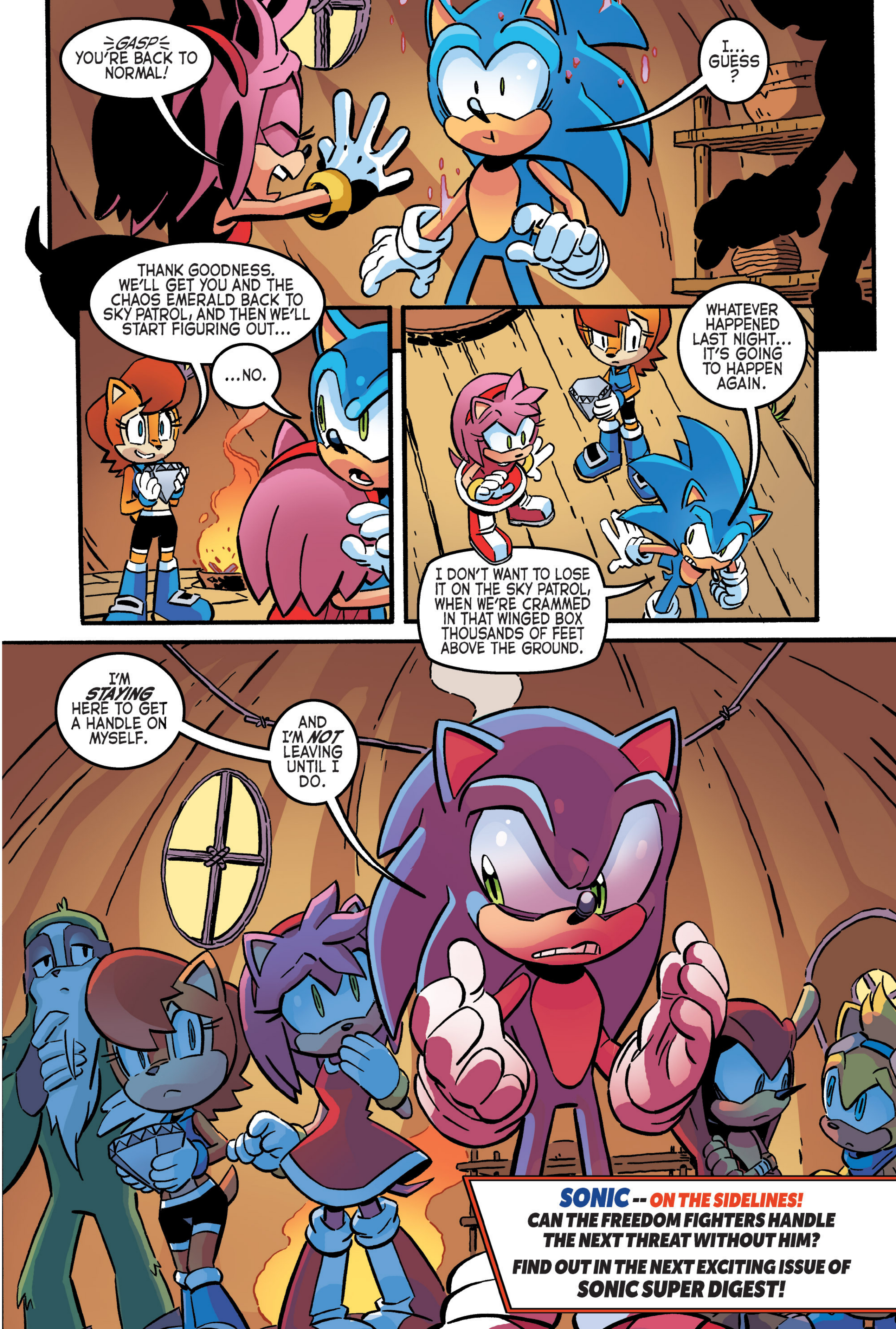
GASP YOU'RE BACK TO NORMAL!
I... GUESS?
THANK GOODNESS. WE'LL GET YOU AND THE CHAOS EMERALD BACK TO SKY PATROL, AND THEN WE'LL START FIGURING OUT...
...NO.
WHATEVER HAPPENED LAST NIGHT... IT'S GOING TO HAPPEN AGAIN.
I DON'T WANT TO LOSE IT ON THE SKY PATROL, WHEN WE'RE CRAMMED IN THAT WINGED BOX THOUSANDS OF FEET ABOVE THE GROUND.
I'M *STAYING* HERE TO GET A HANDLE ON MYSELF.
AND I'M *NOT* LEAVING UNTIL I DO.
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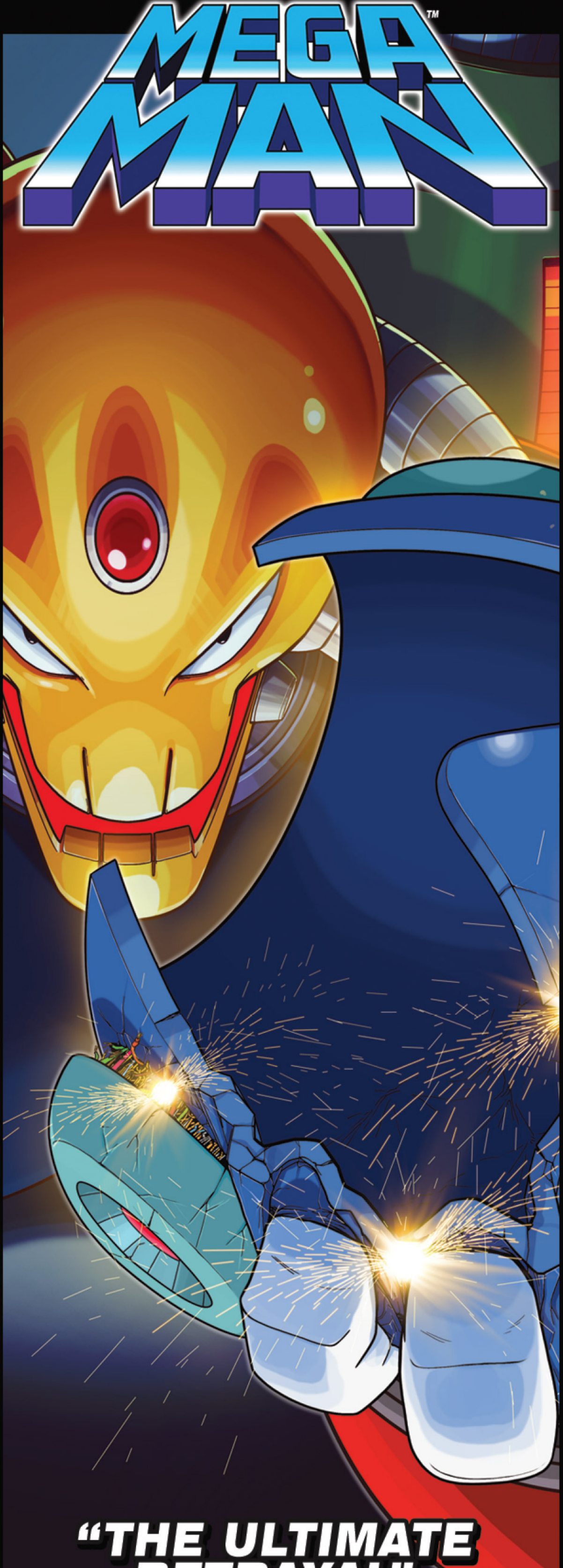

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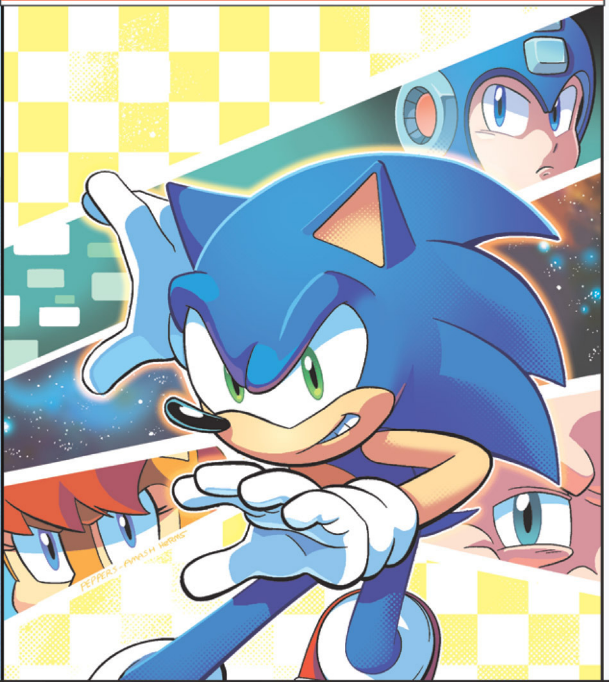

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